

# Amalia Mesa-Bains: *The Cabinet of Curiosities*



Amalia Mesa-Bains, *Emblems of the Decade: Numbers, 1990*

## A Post-Colonial Interrogation

Amalia Mesa-Bains explores work by contemporary Latinx artists who use the Cabinet of Curiosity to investigate issues of cultural identity. Relating these works to historic museum strategies Mesa-Bains reflects the impulse to collect, installation and display strategies, and the relocation of objects in new taxonomies of meaning—a contemporary world of marvels, wonder, and beauty that are at the same time political remembrances of injustice sorrow and death.

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# Program video

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## Attend

**Amalia Mesa-Bains: The Cabinet of Curiosities**

May 25, 2021 3:30-5:00pm

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