



Cover:
Legendary Writings of Rio, 1987
Pen and ink with colored pencil
9 × 12 inches

Poemas Cariocas, 1987
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You are cordially invited to an opening reception and preview of drawings by

Paulo Gomes Garcez

on Wednesday, March 16th, from 6–8 pm.

This exhibition, which has been organized in cooperation with

Paulo Figueiredo Galeria de Arte, São Paulo, will continue through April 15, 1988.

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Paulo Gomes Garcez was born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 1945. He studied with Professor Ivan Serpa from 1970–71 and with Professor Almir Mavignier at the Hamburg School of Art from 1975–76 on a fellowship from the German Government. This is his first individual show in the United States.

One-Man Shows

- 1975 Galeria Bonino, Rio
- 1978 Galeria Bonino, Rio
- 1979 Museu de Arte de São Paulo, MASP
- 1980 Centrosei-Arte Contemporánea, Bari, Italy
- 1981 Galeria Bonino, Rio Galeria Sérgio Milliet—Funarte, Rio
- 1982 Galeria Paulo Figueiredo, São Paulo
- 1984 Brazilian Centre, London Galeria Paulo Figueiredo, Brasilia, DF
- 1986 Galeria Saramenha, Rio Galeria Paulo Figueiredo, São Paulo

Selected Group Shows

- 1972 XI Premi International Dibuix Joan Miró, Barcelona
- 1976 Galerie Crearco, Lausanne, Switzerland
- 1978 Biennalle di Venezia, Venice
- 1979 Nobé Gallery, New York

 International Multimedia, USP, São Paulo

 Il Saláo Nacional de Artes Plásticas, MAM, Rio
- 1981 Livres d'art et d'artistas, Galerie NRA, Paris Alternative Museum, New York Libres d'artista, Metronòm, Barcelona
- 1983 Foro de Arte Contemporaneo, Mexico City Mary-Anne Martin/Fine Art, New York XVII Bienal de São Paulo, (video-text) Galeria Rysunku, Poznam, Poland Thomas Cohn—Arte Contemporânea, Rio
- 1984 Frances Wolfson Art Gallery, Miami
- 1985 *Brazil 10—Works on Paper*, Five American Universities, USA

 XVIII Bienal de São Paulo, São Paulo
- 1986 Del Bello Gallery, Toronto, Ontario

 Caminhos do Desenho Brasileiro, MARGS, Porto
 Alegre, Brazil (Guest artist)

 Il Bienal de La Habana, Habana, Cuba (Guest artist)

My work deals basically with two elements: writing and serial systems. In both, my main interests are to demand the viewer to dive deeply into the work and to ask him or her to complete the text or the system using his or her imagination.

The letters, diaries, poems, notations, done on various kinds of paper, embody child and adult experiences and are plunged into the poetical and musical domains. In all of them, I use an alphabet based on pictograms taken from elements of my daily life in Rio or from my childhood. Most of them are very erotic.

I think my work is to be seen in its whole. I try to say that things are not really what they seem and to prove that no one reading is particular. Each individual will give his or her own meaning according to his world and experience.

It's a sort of game where combinatory analysis decrees the non-existent rules. The combinations of meanings are infinite, and the more one tries to decipher the whole, one figures out, sadly, that only a small part of it is grasped. It's a tiring but sometimes a humorous and rewarding process.

Paulo Gomes Garcez, 1984



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