



Talented artists of Colchagua received Cultural Merit Medal

Four distinguished artists from the province of Colchagua recently received medals of Cultural Merit 2025 awarded by the Coalition for Cultural Diversity, an entity supported by UNESCO that for more than two decades has promoted the pluralistic artistic. The ceremony took place in the museum-patrimonial Casa Colorada de Santiago and reunited more than thirty exponents of the arts and the national heritage.

One of the distinguished was the painter Américo Becerra Pinto, maximum exponent of the art in recycling in Chile, who was awarded with the Cultural Merit Medal 2025.

Américo Becerra, unique representative of the

... was recognized for his trajectory of 27 years transforming discarded materials into works of art. Based in San Fernando for more than 20 years, the artist not only has stood out at a national level, but also in countries of Europe and America. In addition, he has formed new generations in his workshop and in the Casa de la Cultura, where he has given classes for nine years.

"I have 27 years of sold history and oxidized worlds", expressed emotionally when receiving the award, highlighting the collaborative work with his family and team.

Along with him, other three talented artists from the Region of O'Higgins were distinguished:

Karen Fuentes



... of the Local Artists of San Fernando. She is an artist who practices artistic photography and periodical and cultural management in the city of San Fernando. She has not left a point without capturing her with the camera. She has also given various workshops and herself has been cultural coordinator and director of the museum Lircunlaut.

From her position she has given great support to the protagonists of the different cultural expressions. She has also worked in the commune of La Estrella and other localities of the

Region of O'Higgins.

Luis Navarrete Urzúa, professor and cultural manager committed with the elderly. Formator and director of various groups of theater for adults. His second vocation, theater, he studied systematically, making that many people can express their feelings through art. He has worked in San Fernando in which he was also coordinator in the Corporation of Culture. He has also written theatrical works whose theme has been the history of

the founding of the place, which were represented by professional actors and directed by him.

Ángel Chota, cultural chimbarrungino of the oral tradition of décimas and versos. The artist obtained the first prize in poetry at 8 years, at the time that with his maternal grandmother he learned the first chords of the guitar and the customs of campesinas, awakening in him all a world interior that is translated in songs, décimas and popular poetry. His artistic inquietude led him to delve into the texts of different songs, the

metric and the combinations of musicals. He published a book of poems, composed the cantata and the mass of the mimblero, among other musical works. The community and different institutions have awarded him a series of recognitions. Ángel Chota is a member of the Agrupación "Al abrazo del soneto" of international character.

For his part Héctor "Titin" Molina, president of the Coalition, distinguished: "It has been a moving ceremony, with great convocation. It is a beautiful homage in life to those who contribute to our culture".

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