

# ULLABENULLA

## Papel Picado

On 'Dias de los Muertos' one often sees beautiful paper cut banners called Papel picado (usually with skulls and skeletons for this holiday). Papel picado is a traditional folk art from Mexico that involves cutting out intricate patterns on colorful tissue paper. The tissue paper is then glued to a string in a line to form banners which are used as decorations for important festivities throughout the year.

I was excited to find a new take on this traditional artform by Máximo González who uses out-of-date currency and newspapers to make playful narratives. He cuts out the bills and pages into smaller shapes to create small tableaus, such as Love Profusion and Landscape with Trash. Born in Argentina, González has shown extensively in Latin America, especially Mexico, where he now lives. His work is whimsical, and full of life and vitality. A wonderful way to continue this folkloric tradition!!!







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## Comments

You amaze me. Each day, in every way!!

Posted by: [Tongue in Cheek](#) | [Monday, November 06, 2006 at 05:38 AM](#)

Ulla,

I must tell you that I come here almost every day. You leave such wonderful things for us to look at it's just a treat each and every time. Bless you for giving us visitors such "eye-candy" ~ Cindy

Posted by: [Cindy \(Rella\)](#) | [Friday, November 03, 2006 at 11:42 AM](#)

Wow these are amazing, how do you find this stuff?

Posted by: [Di Overton](#) | [Friday, November 03, 2006 at 11:32 AM](#)

What fun! Look at that shoe!

Posted by: [susanna](#) | [Friday, November 03, 2006 at 07:50 AM](#)

They are all so beautiful, I wonder how long it must have taken to cut out all the shapes. I wish I have so much patience!

Posted by: [cruststation](#) | [Friday, November 03, 2006 at 04:53 AM](#)

ulla, you DO know you are the absolute best! how do you do it? luckily i have found you and can absorb your wonderfulness every day. this post is the most inspirational piece i have seen all week, \*maybe two!\*  
thanks!

Posted by: [susan](#) | [Thursday, November 02, 2006 at 06:50 PM](#)