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Our America

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Del barrio Museum

1. What is the history of this museum and what was the reason it was placed in this community? Founded in the 1960s by Raphael Ortiz. Its purpose is to preserve and interpret the culture of Latin America.

2. What stood out as most prominent among the museum's exhibits? What made this the case for you? An exhibit called "Nexus New York" showed how they ended up in and what they contributed to the development of New York. I think it is exciting to look back at what different people contributed to society, and to look at how far it has come.

3. Do the staff represent the topic or group of people exhibited in the museum? Why or why not? Much like most of the other museums we have visited, the staff did not completely represent the group of people in this museum. Due to covid induced employee shortages, they are forced to expand their hiring radiuses.

4. What is something you learned or was challenging to you about this visit? I think it's very sad how suppressed most community heritages are. It takes going to an actual museum just to realize what exactly they contributed to our nation.