

Arístides Esteban Hernández Guerrero (ARES)

Born in Havana, Cuba, On September 2nd, 1963.

ARES holds degrees in Medicine (1987) and Psychiatry (1993).

Published his first cartoon in 1994. He also worked as an illustrator, mainly for children's books, and made oil paintings and animations.

ARES now works in Havana as a freelance artist.

His works have been published around the world, and he has won more than one hundred awards, out of which, sixty two are international. These awards include:

- First prize, PIAUI International Cartoon Contest, Brazil
- First Prize Cartoon, Gabrovo Biennial, Bulgaria
- First prize, Eurohumor, Italy
- Excellence prize, Yomiuri Shimbun International Cartoon Contest, Japan
- Grand Prix San Antonio Bienal, Cuba (three times).
- Eduardo Abela Grand Prix, National Cartoon Contest, Cuba (five times)

Ares worked with television and animated films, and some of his works have been used to make short animated films (Filminutos). He has given lectures about cartoon and comic art in Cuba, Iran, Mexico, Colombia, Turkey, Canada and Finland.

He serves as a member of jury in a number of international cartoon contests in Mexico, Italy, Brazil, Cuba and Iran.

In 1994, he was nominated by the Witty World Magazine, USA, to be included in the list of the best cartoonists of the world. He was also nominated by Cuba to the Quevedos Iberoamerican Cartoon Award, and was included in the Memory Project Book, as one of the most relevant visual artists of Cuba in the 20th century. Ares was also included in the survey of the Twenty Most Outstanding Cartoonists of The Twentieth Century in Cuba.

In 2002, He was awarded the National Culture Medal, by the Cuban Culture Minister.

ARES has published nine books.

1. ENTRAR POR EL ARO, CUBA
 2. CUBA COM HUMOR, BRAZIL
 3. GENTE DE MEIO TOM, BRAZIL
 4. HUMOR PELO ARES, BRAZIL
 5. PSICOTERAPIA, UNA RELACION DE AYUDA, GUATEMALA
 6. HOOZ, IRAN
 7. MI PSICOLOGO SOYYO, CUBA
 8. ALCOHOL, MITO Y REALIDAD, CUBA
 9. EL NORTE , EL SUR Y LA GLOBALIZACION, ITALIA
- PLUS HE HAS ILLUSTRATED ANOTHER THIRTY BOOKS

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