

JHAIR ALBERTO VARGAS HERNÁNDEZ

Visual Researcher / Spatial Narrative

Visual practitioner working between photography, moving image, installation, and spatial narrative. His work is focused on social issues, everyday life, memory, displacement, and urban transformation, using visual storytelling as a way to observe, document, and interpret how people experience space.

FOCUS

SOCIAL VISUAL PRACTICE

Projects developed through photography, moving image, observation, and installation, focusing on social issues, urban transformation, memory, displacement, and everyday life.

WORKING APPROACH

IMAGE TO SPACE

Works through photography, video, and sequencing, developing narratives that connect image, memory, and spatial experience, translating visual research into spatial and installation-based forms.

BASE

Shanghai, China

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SELECTED WORK / PORTFOLIO

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STRENGTH

SOCIAL STORYTELLING

Strong ability to build visual narratives around social issues, connecting image, atmosphere, testimony, and spatial experience across photography, moving image, and installation formats.

SELECTED WORK

DOCUMENTARY REFLECTIONS ON GENTRIFICATION

Visual Research / Urban Inquiry

Shanghai / 2025

Research-led audiovisual project combining observation, documentation, interviews, and spatial reading to examine urban transformation and everyday life.

THE MOMS WERE RIGHT

Installation / Visual Narrative

Shanghai / 2025

Installation work connecting material construction, projection, memory, and spatial storytelling through a politically charged commemorative piece.

WE ARE RELOCATING

Visual Narrative / Research-Based

Bogotá / 2019

Visual project using image and sequence to reflect on relocation, memory, and the changing experience of home.

EDUCATION

EAST CHINA NORMAL UNIVERSITY

M.A. in Design (ongoing)

Shanghai / 2024 - 2026

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBIA

Bachelor in Architecture

Bogota / 2013 - 2019

LANGUAGES

Spanish — Native

English — C1

Chinese — Currently studying

TOOLS

Visual / Adobe

Illustrator, Lightroom, Photoshop, InDesign, Premiere Pro, DaVinci Resolve, SketchUp

Rendering / Image / Coding

V-Ray, 3ds Max, Enscape, JavaSc