

# PINATA: WOMAN

## OVERVIEW OF THE OBJECTS

<b>Repository:</b>	Crandall Public Library. Folklife Center Glens Falls, NY.
<b>Creator:</b>	Amilcar Garcia, Hampton, Washington, New York and Colotenango, Guatemala
<b>Title:</b>	Pinata: Woman
<b>Dates:</b>	2016
<b>Quantity:</b>	1 item
<b>Identification:</b>	Folk Art

### NOTE

A piñata is a container often made of papier-mache, pottery or cloth; it is decorated, and filled with small toys, or candy, or both, and then broken as part of a ceremony or celebration. The star shape, or ball with points, still remains popular for the Christmas season, but for other events, traditional designs for children, such as donkeys, have been almost entirely replaced by cartoon characters based on U.S. movies and television shows. This piñata was purchased for the Folklife Gallery exhibit, *The Dream of America: Separation and Sacrifice in the Lives of North Country Latino Immigrants*, 2016.

August 2019: on display in the Folklife Center Reading Room

### INDEX TERMS

<b>Topics:</b>	Pinata Latino customs
<b>Places:</b>	Hampton, Washington County, New York Mexico Central America Coletenango, Guatemala
<b>Important People:</b>	Garcia, Amilcar
<b>Form/Genre:</b>	realia

## **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

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## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECT**

The piñata woman is about 42 inches tall, and is made of papier-mache, paint, corn husks, beverage can tabs, white corn, yarn wire and costume jewelry.