



Lucha libre wrestling mask with removable face covering

Date

2020-2021

Primary Maker

El Hijo de Soberano

Medium

Lycra, vinyl, cotton, elastic

Description

Blue and teal Luchador style face mask with button clips for interchangeable mouth covering piece From #Mask

Exhibition: When sports arenas everywhere went dark during the pandemic, luchador El Hijo del Soberano began creating face coverings in the style of the favorite Mexican sport, lucha libre (“free fight,” or wrestling). Known only by his wrestling persona, which translates to “Son of the Sovereign,” El Hijo del Soberano is part of a multi-generational wrestling dynasty begun by his father (El Soberano). The crown and laurels on the masks are unique to this family, symbolizing victory and nobility, and reminiscent of Roman emperors. El Hijo del Soberano made international news for his pandemic-related professional pivot to the production of masks, including coverage by BBC, NPR, CNN, and the New York Post.