

# COLOURING BOOK BATTLE OF CARABOBO

The Embassy of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela in Australia is pleased to present this lovely initiative from a distinguished Venezuelan artist, Omar Cruz, who has portrayed in these drawings the Bicentenary of the Battle of Carabobo, where victory sealed the independence of our country and expelled colonialism from our land.

We are joyful to bring this coloring book to the children of Australia and the Pacific as a unique opportunity to get to know the history of Venezuela.





## **Presentation**

The Venezuelan Liberty Camp Bicentenary Collection pays tribute to the emancipatory gesture carried out in our land 200 years ago: the Battle of Carabobo.

Our Liberator Simon Bolivar proclaimed on June 24,1821: "A splendid victory has been confirmed, the political birth of the Republic."

Our Liberation Army imposed itself over the enemy and defeated them.

Shortly after Venezuela would achieve complete independence from the spanish empire.

This series of children's booklets, conceived and illustrated by Omar Cruz, seeks the recognition of the important participation of men and women in the independence process, thanks to them today we have a homeland free from any empire.

With this publication we want our children to participate and to get to know our heroes, our indigenous communities, our farmers who defended our homeland and who still today live amongst us.



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# **Report of the Battle of Carabobo**

### Children'sversionbyOmarCruz

On June 24 1821, we witnessed the birth of Venezuela, thanks to the splendid victory we achieved in Carabobo.

With the Liberation Army we marched to Carabobo camp to face the enemies of our homeland.

The first division of our army was composed by the brave British battalion, the Apure Braves and 1,500 lance fighters on horse under the orders of General Jose Antonio Paez.

The second division was integrated by the Guard Brigade, the Battalion of Shooters, the Battalion of Boyaca, the Battalion of Vargas, the Sacred Squadron that was sent by Colonel Juan Bautista Aramendi, to the orders of General Manuel Cedeño.

The third was integrated by the first guard brigade with the Rifle Battalion, the Grenadiers, the Victorious of Boyaca, Anzoategui and the cavalry regiment of Colonel Juan Jose Rondon, under the orders of Colonel Ambrosio Plaza.

General Paez along with the cavalry regiment acted so intrepidly and with such bravery over the enemy that in half an hour they defeated them.

General Paez's brave and determined conduct made him worthy of the General in Chief rank of the army in the battle field itself.

Regretfully the republic has lost Manuel Cedeño, a loyal and brave General. We also lost a brave Colonel Ambrosio Plaza. Both sacrificed their lives in the battle for freedom; all our fallen deserve the tears of the homeland and eternal gratitude.

The Spanish enemy army, formed by more than 6 thousand men, ceased to be powerful. The few soldiers left are fleeing.

This is why in the name of the brave and courageous army that Simon Bolivar has the honor of commanding, before the surrendered Spanish empire, I ask that our independence be accepted by the world and that our glorious army be recognized as the biggest to defend its independence in a battle camp.

My homeland, with the highest honor and loyalty, I am your humble server for eternity.

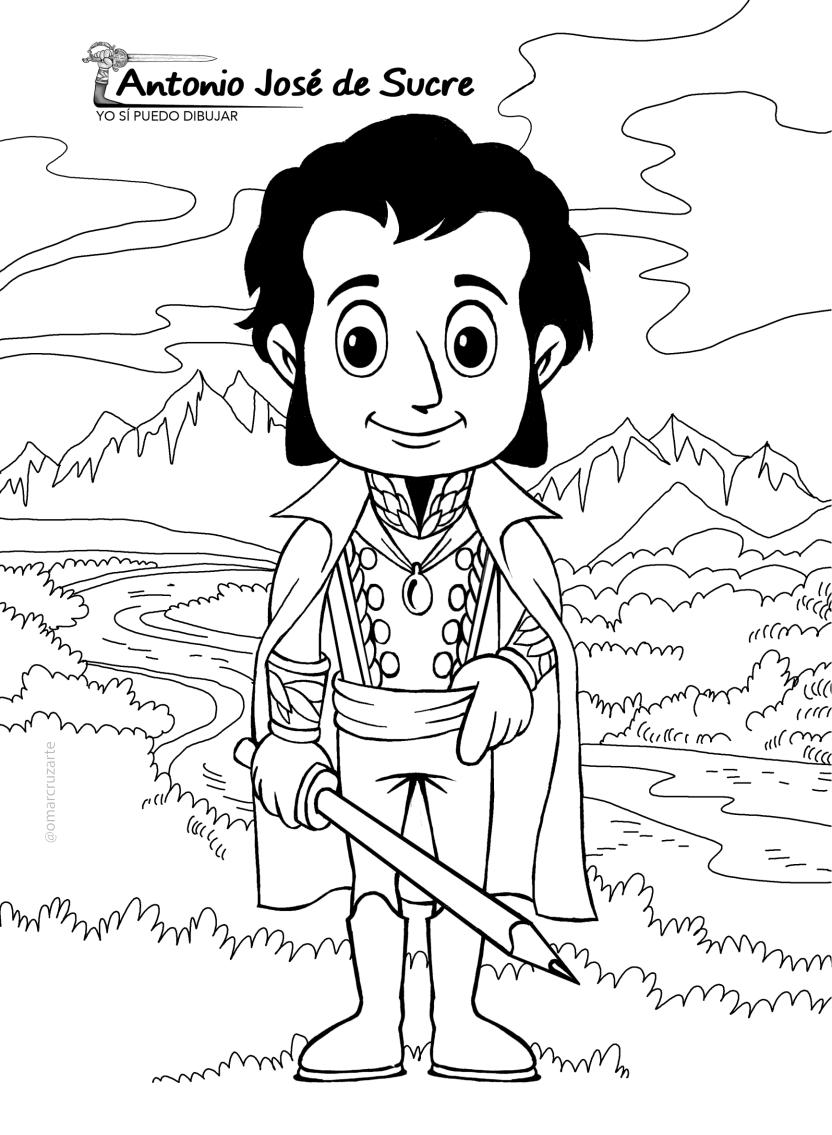




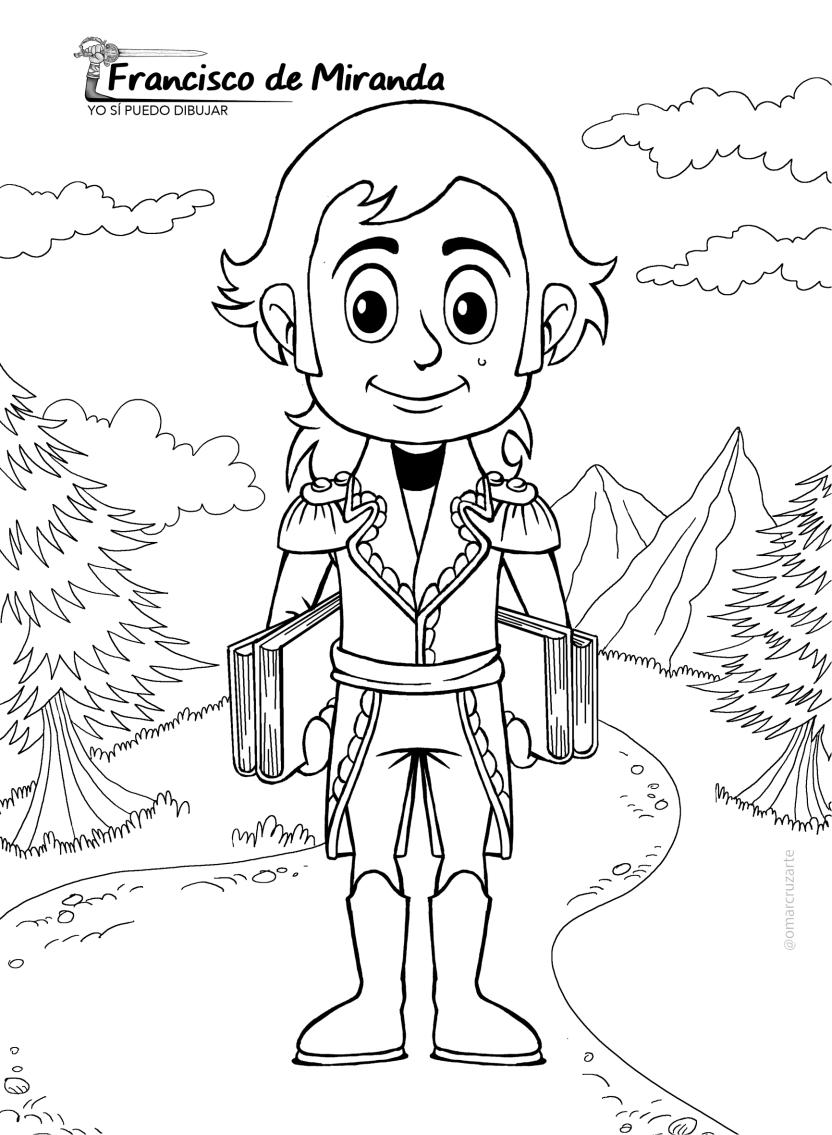


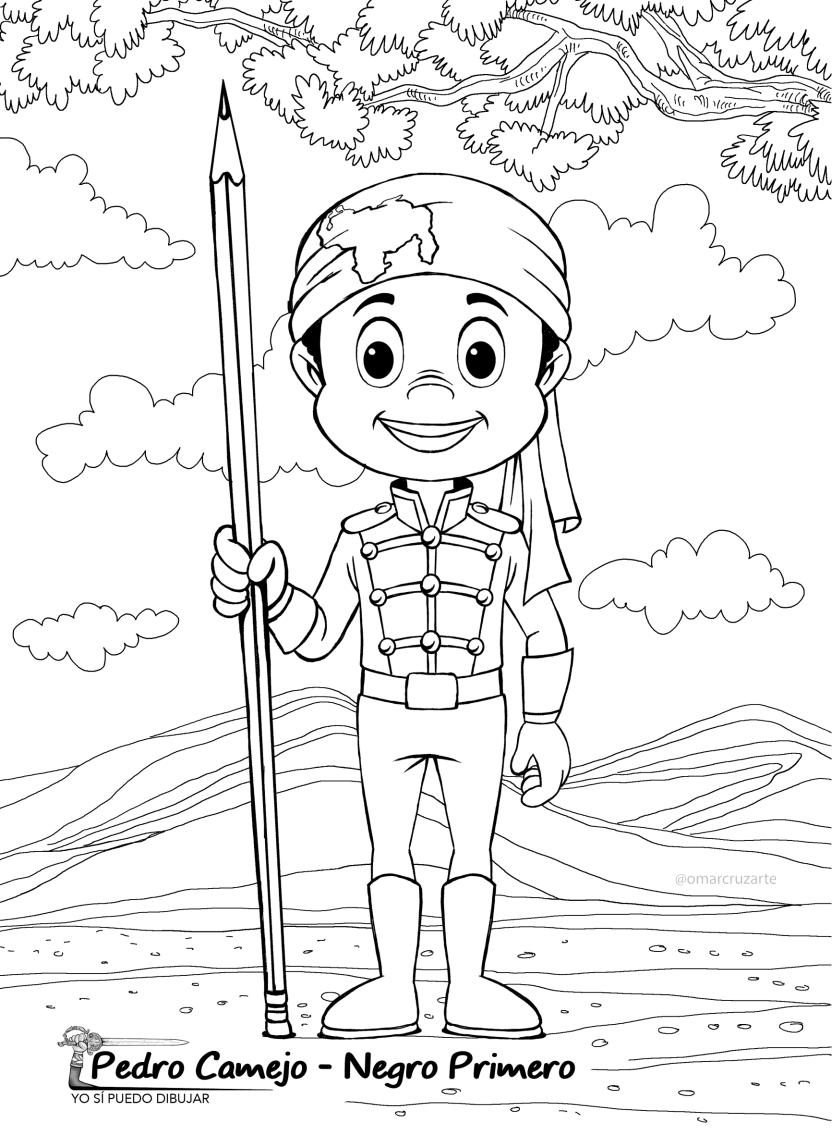






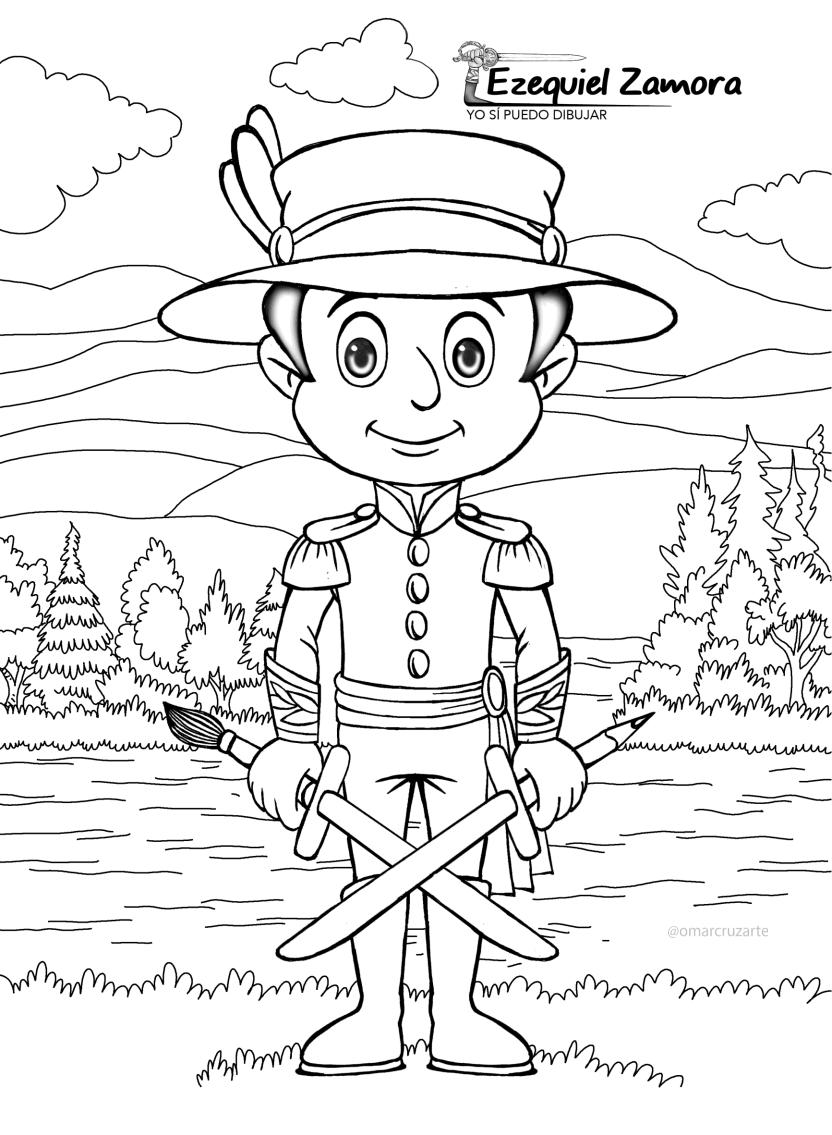












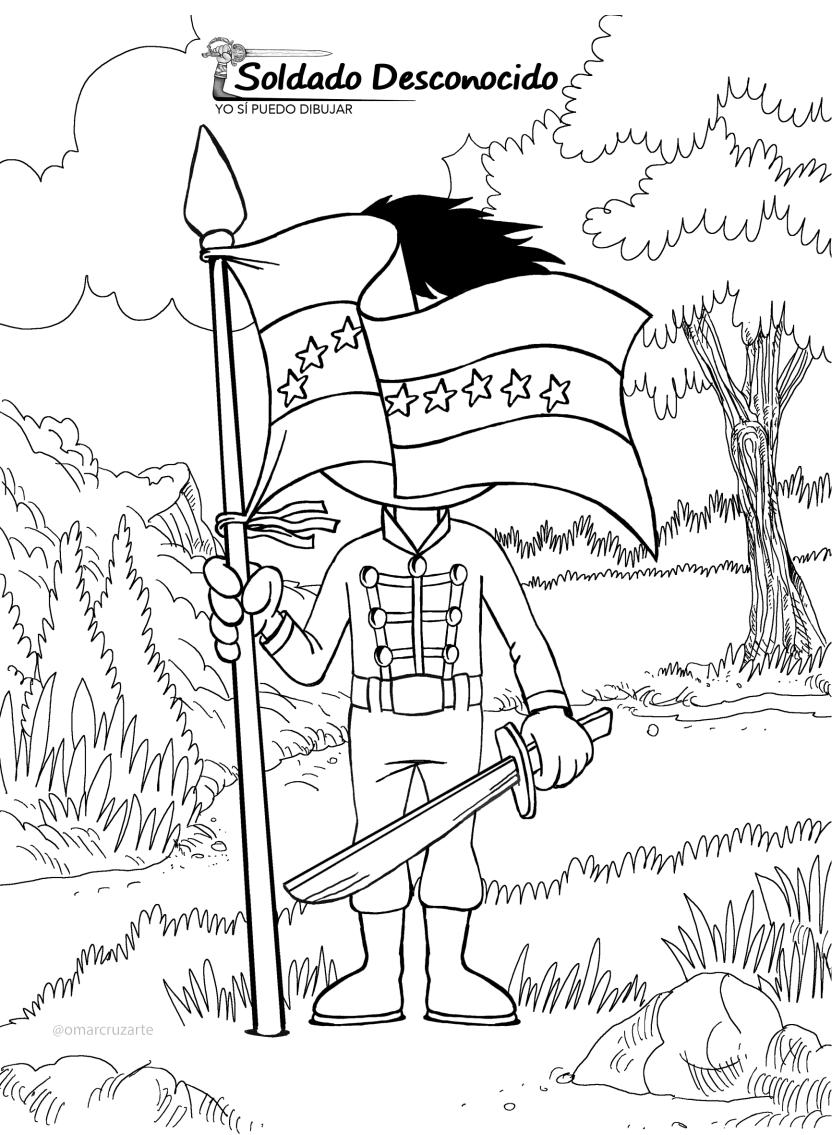




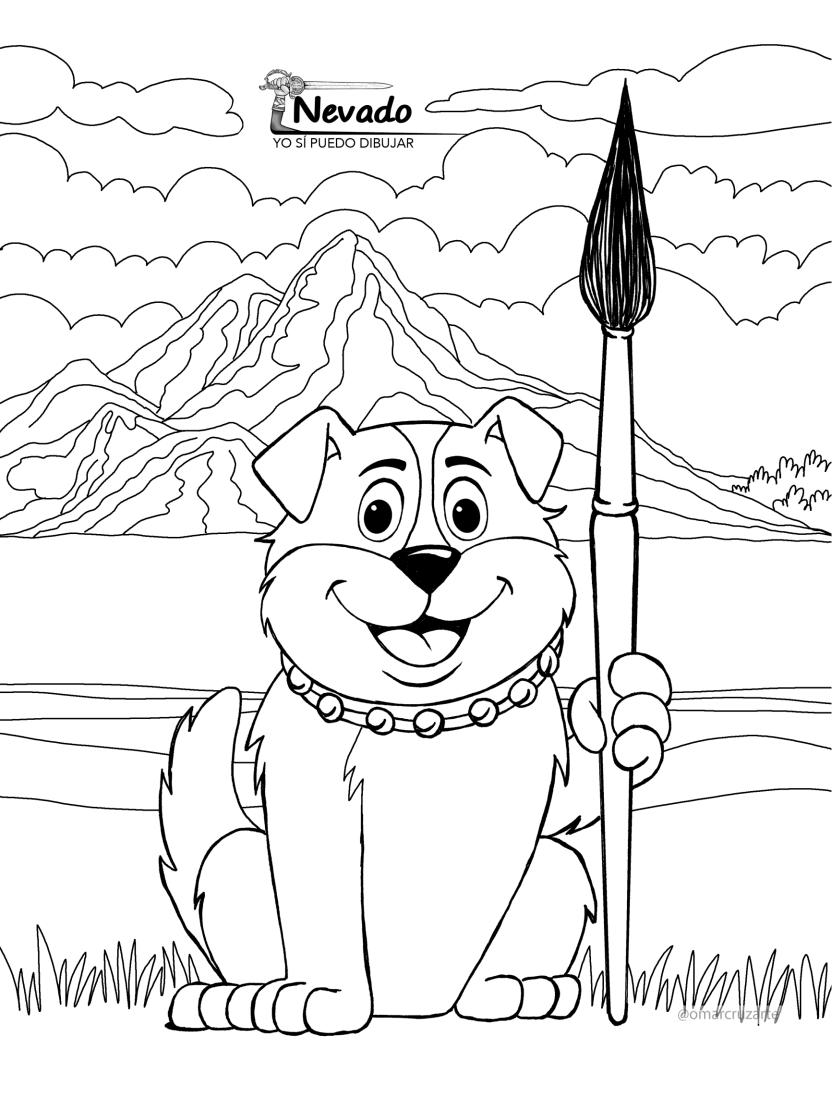
































- "Paint for the eyes of your fellow men the painting of the physical universe, the moral universe; don't hide the secrets the sky has revealed to you: speak with the truth to men".
- "He who abandons everything to be useful to his homeland, does not loose anything but gains all he enshrines"