FIE INTERNATIONAL FENCING FEDERATION

QUINTERO JOSE

| General Information | | |
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| Country: | VEN | |
| Gender: | M | |
| Height: | 182 | |
| Weight: | 79 | |
| Handedness: | Right-handed | |
| Date of birth: | 1996-11-06 | |
| Education: | ESTUDIANTE | |
| Profession: | ATLETA | |
| License: | 06111996000 | |

| Further Personal Information | |
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| Occupation | Athlete |
| Languages | Spanish |

| Sport Specific Information | | |
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| When and where did you begin this sport? | He began fencing at age six, and started training more seriously at age 13. | |
| Why this sport? | He followed his parents into the sport. "I started training from age six, but not consistently. My father took me when he could, my mother wanted me to practise, but it was only when I reached adolescence that I stuck with fencing." | |
| Handedness | Right | |

| International Debut | | |
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| Year | 2014 | |
| Competing for | Venezuela | |

| General Interest | |
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| Nicknames | Cachalotico (toucheworld.com, 29 May 2018) |
| Hobbies | Football. (Facebook profile, 25 Jul 2021) |
| Memorable sporting achievement | Qualifying for the 2020 Olympic Games. (laprensalara.com.ve, 02 May 2021) |
| Sporting philosophy / motto | "I am one of those people who think that when you lose you should continue training, that you need more work and dedication. When I lose, I don't fall into despair or think that it's because of the referees or that I'm not good. I try to train harder." (toucheworld.com, 29 May 2018) |
| Awards and honours | In 2022 he received the Jacinto Lara Order [Third Class] from the state government of Lara in Venezuela. The honour was in recognition of his performance at the 2022 Bolivarian Games in Valledupar, Colombia. (elimpulso.com, 16 Jul 2022) |
| Famous relatives | His father Gerardo represented Venezuela in fencing at the 1982 World Championships in Rome, Italy. His mother Marlene Heredia also was a fencer at national level in Venezuela. (SportsDeskOnline, 10 Jul 2023; aporrea.org, 04 Feb 2023) |
| Ambitions | To compete at the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris. (Instagram profile, 24 Jun 2022) |
| Other information | TRAINING IN POLAND Between 2014 and 2017 he spent three years living and training in Lodz, Poland. He was given the opportunity to train in Poland through the support of the Ruben Limardo Foundation, which was co-founded by Venezuelan epee fencer Ruben Limardo. (france24.com, 16 Jun 2021; sport.tvp.pl, 09 Nov 2020; globovision.com, 03 Mar 2016) |