



Molly Keen

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Artist Statement

I transform barren walls into activated large scale murals that invoke whimsical movements of bright colors and playful lines. I hope for every wall to be enveloped with color to stimulate the imagination of the viewer so they are inspired to step out of daily routines. I am inspired by reoccurring patterns such as the insides of a flower that unveil thousands of microscopic dots of pollen; the way that the tip of a dog's nose resembles pebbles and stones. My work reveals a world within the natural realm that is hidden within our grasp and often overlooked.

Education

2006-2010 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Washington State University, Pullman, Washington
2018-2019 Wood Technology Cabinet and Furniture-Maker, Laney College, Oakland, California

Public Art Commission

2020 Jan. *Gathering Place*, Adirondack Chair Sculptures, City of Dublin, California
2019 July *Poem Mailbox*, 6 Interactive Sculptures, City of Lakewood, Colorado
2019 May *How we Grow*, Dogs of Danville, Acrylic Sculpture, City of Danville, California
2018 June *Swiftly*, Utility Traffic Box, City of San Ramon, California
2018 May *Poetree*, Utility Traffic Box, City of Pleasanton, California
2018 May *The Swirl Farm*, Utility Traffic Box; City of Fremont, California

Artist Residency

2018 April *Dive In*, Inkiijkmuseum Museum, Acrylic 9' x 12', Eindhoven, Netherlands (April 1 - May 1)
2013 Nov. *Las Siete Estrellas*, Pachamama, Acrylic 15' x 45', Cabanaconde, Peru (November 1-30)

Collaborative Projects

2019 August 'Corpus' Micheal Christian. 23' Sculpture, Steel. Burning Man Honorarium - Berkeley, California
2018 January 'Flying Colors Mural Project' Four month European Mural tour throughout Spain, Bosnia, Portugal, Berlin, Germany, and the Netherlands.
2018 August 'TBD' Micheal Christian. 12' Sculpture, Steel, Burning Man Honorarium Berkeley, California
2012-2015 'Latin America Mural Project'. Mural Tour with the creation of 15 individual public murals throughout Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Argentina, and Mexico.
2017 August 'The Reflection Altar' by Andrea Dawn. 13' Up-cycled, wooden Sculpture. Burning Man Honorarium Grant, Mariposa, California

Community Participation Projects

2019 Dec. *Healthy Foods Mural*, Community Mural, Acrylic 20' x 10'. Oakland, California.
2018 January *Kindness*, Community Mural; Upward Roots, Acrylic 15' x 20'. Oakland, California.
2017 April *Earth*, Community Mural, Opera House, Acrylic 10' x 20'. Bayview, California.
2016 May/Oct. *Desert Bliss*, Community Mural, Acrylic 10' x 5'. Joshua Tree, California.
2015 May *Casa de Ciclistas*, Community Mural, Acrylic 10' x 5'. San Ignacio, Mexico.
2013 October *Community Tree Mural*, Acrylic 35' x 15'. Sucre, Bolivia.



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Teaching

- 2018-2020 Upward Roots Teaching Artist; Community Murals. Oakland, California
2019 Urban Artworks, Muralist and Team Building Lead, Seattle, Washington
2012-2013 Wine and Canvas Teacher, San Francisco, California
2011-2013 Art Therapist, Alzheimer's Services of the East Bay, Berkeley, California

Publications

Mason, Preston: "Clyde's Got a New Girlfriend". The Drake Magazine, vol. 16 issue 3, January 2015 p. 106-108

Selected Public Mural Commissions

- 2019 August *Portland Perspective*, Acrylic 100' x 25'. Portland, Oregon
2019 June *Starlit*, Lyft Collaboration, Acrylic 25' x 11'. Seattle, Washington.
2019 Nov. *Waterfall*, Aerosol 9' x 60'. Gates, Oregon.
2018 October *Airmid*, Aerosol 100' x 17'. Oakland, California
2018 July *Sacred Waters*, Acrylic 20' x 8'. Portland, Oregon
2018 April *Arriving*, CombackPackers, Acrylic 26' x 9.5'. Berlin, Germany.
2018 March *Whispers*, Balkanero's, Acrylic 50' x 8'. Mostar, Bosnia.
2018 February *Bright Zebra*, Fisherman's House, Aerosol 40' x 18'. Ericeira, Portugal.
2018 February *Into the Sea*, OportoOcean Hostel, Acrylic 10' x 45'. Porto, Portugal.
2018 January *Blossom*, Primavera Hostel, Acrylic 14' x 35'. Barcelona, Spain
2017 March *E'Ville*, Rotten City Pizza, Acrylic 16' x 45'. Emeryville, California.
2016 January *To the Moon and Back*, OMC, Acrylic 50' x 20'. Oakland, California.
2015 August *Community Love*, Bike Recycle Vermont, Burlington, VT. Acrylic 18' x 8'
2014 April *Sacred Geometry*, Chichen Itza, Mexico – Lemurian. Acrylic 15' x 20'
2014 January *Molly*, Erratic Rock, Aerosol 21' x 6' x 6'. Puerto Natales, Chile.
2013 Nov. *Whale of a Tale*, Acrylic 10' x 30'. Puerto Madryn, Argentina.
2013 Oct. *Incan Storytelling*, Pachamama, Acrylic 3' x 12'. Cabanconde, Peru.
2013 June *Anaconda*, Anaconda Lodge. Acrylic 20' x 45'. Puerto Maldonado, Peru.
2013 April *Tangled*, Pakay Tours. Acrylic 16' x 10.5'. Tena, Ecuador.
2013 March *Armania Landscape*, Salento, Colombia- La Serrana. Acrylic, 40' x 5'
2013 February *Media Luna*, Media Luna Private, Cartagena, Colombia. Acrylic 15' x 10'
2013 January *6 Wall Series*, Acrylic. 15' x 10'. Palomino, Colombia.
2012 Dec. *Leafing Terrace*, Acrylic 150' x 5. Santa Marta, Colombia Hostel Jackie.
2011 January *Calming*, Acrylic 25' x 8'. Alzheimers Services of the East Bay Berkeley, California