

BENSCHUH

★ DES MOINES ★



DESIGN SERVICES | ART CONSULTATION



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Cover
Cityscape install
Blondie's by T Harris Salon.
Des Moines, Iowa

PLUM FORWARD

FINE ART + DESIGN

FINE ART SERVICES

- Online Promotion
- Annual Art Rental
- Installations
- Events + Live Painting
- Mural Services
- Contract Display
- Contract Art Sales
- Custom Artwork
- Artist Services
- Art Consultation + Planning

DESIGN SERVICES

- Packaging
- Collateral
- Direct Mail
- Social Media
- Website Design
- Mobile App Identity + Icons
- Spot Images
- Illustration
- Identity



RÉSUMÉ CURRICULUM

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Education
Grand View University
Des Moines, IA
Fall 01 - Fall 04
B.A. Fine Art
B.A. Graphic Design

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

GustavArt Collaboration - 2015-present
Collaborative project with Scott Kaven
National Alumni Council - 2008-2016
Grand View University
Career Day Speaker - 2009-2011
Lincoln High School
Classroom Presenter - 2011, 2014
Fort Dodge Senior High
Paintpushers - 2008-2011
Judge of Regional Competition - 2015
Iowa Central Community College

EXHIBITIONS & FESTIVALS

2016
Leona Ruby in the East Village - Des Moines, IA
Bullzerk - Dallas, TX
Strudl Haus - Des Moines, IA
The Stuffed Olive - Des Moines, IA
Swell...Shop for Baby - Des Moines, IA

2015

Market Day (GustavArt) - Des Moines, IA
State Library - Miller Building- Des Moines, IA
Solo Exhibition, Library of the State of Iowa
#ISFMural - Iowa State Fair - Des Moines, IA
Interview with IPTV.
Interview with IPR.
Bottled Creativity- Ankeny, IA
Group Exhibition, Firetrucker Brewery
Uptown Art Fair - Minneapolis, MN
In Our Backyard - Fort Dodge, IA
Joint Exhibition, Blanden Memorial Art Museum
Des Moines Arts Festival - Des Moines, IA
Interview with KCCI (CBS Affiliate)
On Location + Support Local - Urbandale, IA
Solo Exhibition, Urbandale Library
Bullzerk - Dallas, TX
Strudl Haus - Des Moines, IA
The Stuffed Olive - Des Moines, IA
Swell...Shop for Baby - Des Moines, IA
Leona Ruby in the East Village - Des Moines, IA

2014

Strudl Haus - Des Moines, IA
Holiday Promenade - Leona Ruby in the East
Village - Des Moines, IA
ArtDenver (Produced by Cherry Creek Arts
Festival) - Denver, CO
The Mask Project - Denver, CO
A Benefit for Denver Hospice
Des Marathon Expo - Des Moines, IA
Swell...Shop for Baby - Des Moines, IA
Lincoln Arts Festival - Lincoln, NE
Fall Art Market - West Des Moines, IA
Ingersoll Live - Des Moines, IA
Uptown Art Fair - Minneapolis, MN
First American Bank - Des Moines, IA
Business on Display Program - Beaverdale
Fire & Pints - Ankeny, IA
Solo Exhibition, Firetrucker Brewery

Des Moines Arts Festival - Des Moines, IA
Interview with KFMG 99.1 FM
Interview with Lazer 103.3 FM
Interview with KCCI 8 News (CBS Affiliate)
Interview with WHO 13 News (NBC Affiliate)
The Stuffed Olive - Des Moines, IA
Table 128 - Clive, IA
Prairie Village Art Show - Prairie Village, KS
Leona Ruby in the East Village - Des Moines, IA

2013

Powderhorn Art Fair - Minneapolis, MN
Geneva Fine Arts Fair - Geneva, IL
Poster Artist, AAA Selected Artist
Stone Arch Festival of Arts - Minneapolis, MN
Festival Favorite - Painting
Iowa Arts Festival - Iowa City, IA
Prairie Village Art Show - Prairie Village, KS
Best of Show - Painting
The Standard Martini Bar - Des Moines, IA
Leona Ruby in the East Village - Des Moines, IA
BENSCHUH in Kansas City...April 2013, KC, MO

Events prior to 2013 available upon request.



ARTIST STATEMENT



Ben Schuh lives & works in Des Moines, IA where he earned degrees in visual art and graphic design in 2004 from Grand View University. He has focused his career as a professional painter and is pursuing opportunities to showcase his paintings.

Ben's latest series features cows 'ON LOCATION' that capture the essence of visiting & experiencing unfamiliar places.

He considers himself a portraitist of life and believes it is critical to build relationships with his clients and to support local businesses. By doing this he can see what is going on where he lives and in the communities he travels to around the country. By learning why people are drawn to his work he is able to take their reactions and challenge himself as an artist. After all, it is his patrons who allow him to continue to push himself further as he pursues this dream.

Characterized by bold brushstrokes, distinct colors, and multiple layers, each work is one of a kind, offering the perfect compliment to any room. His original paintings can be found in homes, offices, and private collections across the United States as well as in Canada and Europe.

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SELECT REVIEWS

"This is the greatest thing to wake up to! Thanks so much!!!"

Chicago, IL

"We commissioned Ben to create a diptych for our living room. He was easy to work with and we love the results of the project. Every time I look at the row houses he painted for us, I'm back walking down that Notting Hill street."

West Des Moines, IA

"Ben did a commissioned painting of the Paris Metro for us and the results were fantastic! Ben's style is unmistakable and I would recommend him to anyone."

Minneapolis, MN

"...everyone was raving about your pieces...especially our extra-special one in the living room. I'm enjoying it more and more as I'm figuring it out better."

Johnston, IA

"...we love our painting, it is already on the wall."

Eden Prairie, MN

"We put the painting up first thing when we got home. As a matter of fact, since we're remodeling our kitchen the painting is going to have influence in the final outcome."

Chicago, IL

"I have had two original works by Ben Schuh hanging in my cubicle at work for some time now and it has been a joy to have these true artistic renderings in my daily work space. The size of the art is perfect for the space and it brings a wonderful 'touch of home' to a place where business and gray walls reign supreme."

Des Moines, IA

"...bought "Tiki" and I promise it's found a good home with us. We look forward to adding to the collection and hope to buy a companion piece soon."

Minneapolis, MN

"I just wanted you to know that 'Presidential Perspective' is hanging up in my apartment and I grow more fond of it every day. I was really glad I got a chance to meet you."

Minneapolis, MN

"I really loved it at the time my mom bought it for me, but my love for it has GROWN over the years. It means so much more to me now that I've figured out my love for writing. It's definitely on my list of Things to Grab if my House Burns Down."

Johnston, IA

"We Love you and your work!"

Kansas City, MO



COMMISSION A PAINTING

Are you a business looking for original artwork to compliment your establishment while improving the overall experience of your clients? Or are you looking for a painting that captures the likeness of a loved one, a timeless moment, or perhaps simply a cherished possession?

Commissioned works are an easy solution. Each work is designed according to your needs and in a few simple steps you will have original artwork that improves the atmosphere of your business or can be handed down for future generations.

Ben's original paintings and drawings can be found in homes, offices, and private collections across the United States as well as in Canada and Europe.

OPTION A | ARTIST DESIGNED

1. Pick Subject Matter/Theme
2. Pick Paper/Canvas/Panel & Size
3. View Preliminary/Mock-Up of Work
4. Approve Preliminary Sketch (Available upon request)
5. Order Final Painting*

OPTION B | PATRON DESIGNED

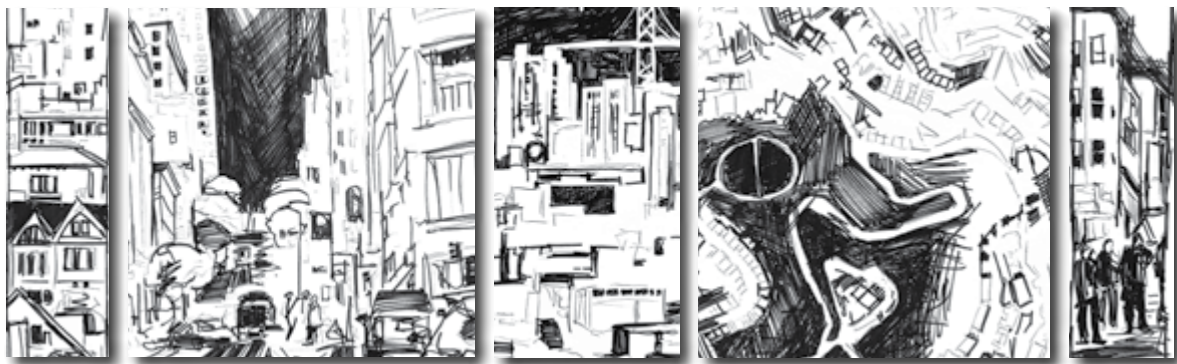
1. Pick Subject Matter/Theme
2. Pick Color Scheme
3. Pick Paper/Canvas/Panel & Size
4. View Preliminary/Mock-Up of Work
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6. Order Final Painting*

*50% non-refundable payment required upon approval of design/sketch. Balance and applicable taxes due upon delivery.

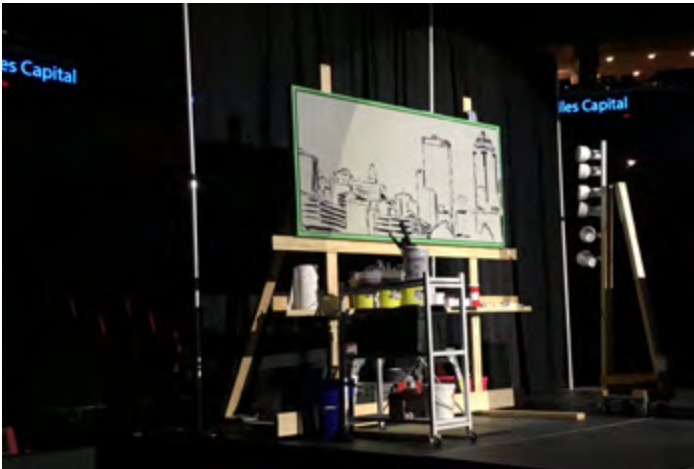
Standard turnaround on commissioned acrylic paintings is 3-6 weeks, but is subject to scheduling. Please contact Ben to confirm turnaround times for a scheduled commission. Expedited service available, additional fees may apply.

Opposite top
Sketch Concepts for *City by the Bay*

Opposite bottom
City by the Bay, 84" x 28", 2012
Private Collection - Displayed at:
Polk County Housing Trust
Des Moines, Iowa



LIVE PAINTING Des Moines Arts Festival - Reveal



Above
Setup at Wells Fargo Arena
Reference Photo

Opposite
Reveal Our City, 80" x 36", 2016
Finished painting auctioned at special event.



LARGE SCALE Private Collector - Shipping Container



Working on a large scale on a mobile shipping container enabled Ben to dramatically influence the commute of tens of thousands of commuters to downtown Des Moines. The cow on location is his way of adding some humor to typical imagery to bring the conversation back to local farming.



Left from top down
Daily updates during process.

Opposite bottom
Closeup of *Standing Strong*, 40' x 9.5', 2016
Private Collection
Displayed at:
19th Street & I-235
Des Moines, Iowa



LARGE SCALE Iowa State Fair - #ISFMural



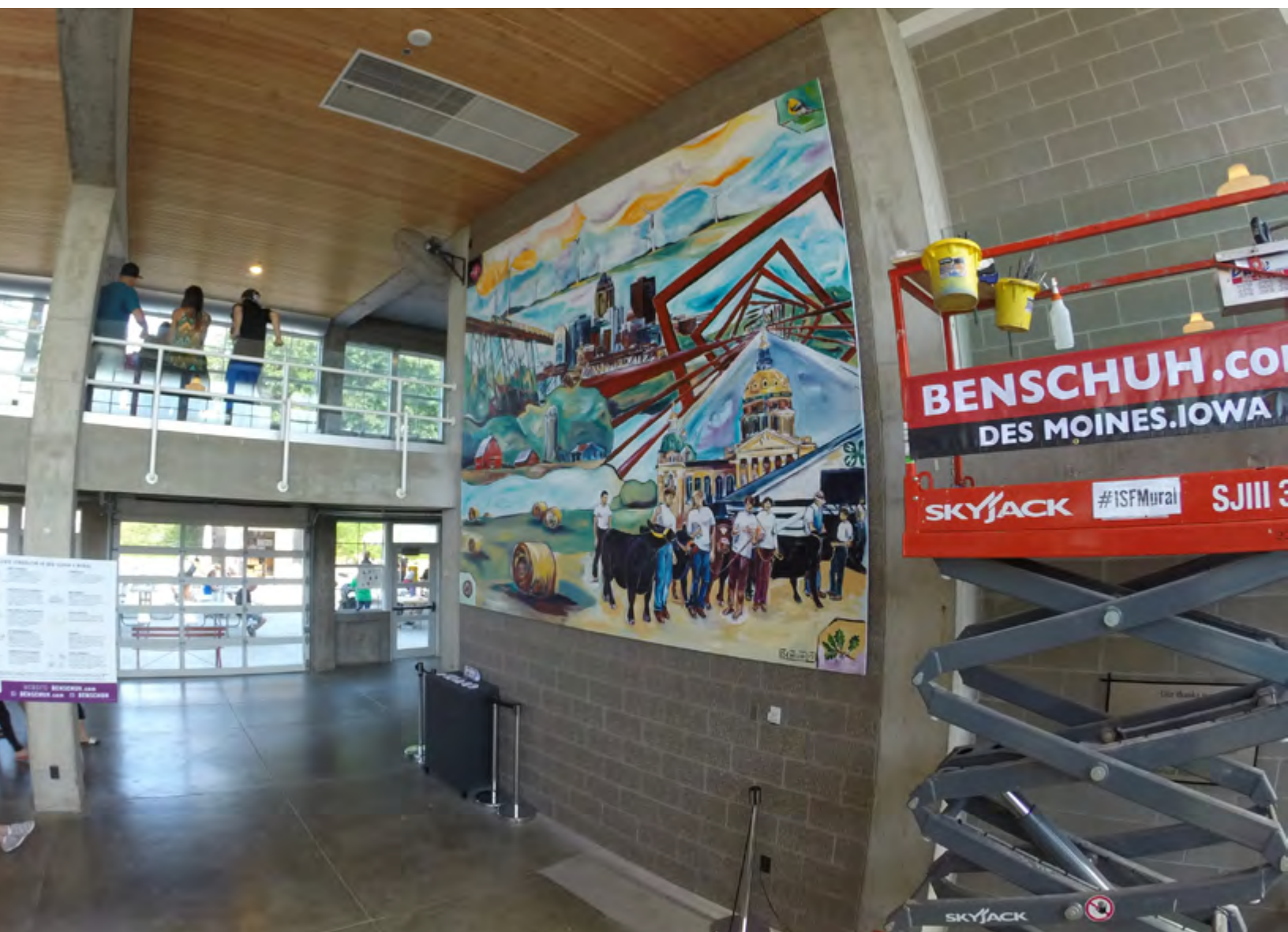
As a third generation 4-H'er, Ben's general concept for the #ISFMural was to combine the best of both naturally occurring and man-made points of interest associated with Iowa. The individual elements overlap in such a way that no single section receives priority, but rather the entire mural interacts to create movement and draw viewers in.

Elements Incorporated:

- Wind Turbines
- Kate Shelley High Bridge
- High Trestle Trail Bridge
- Third Generation 4-H
- Landscape w/Hay Bales
- Farmstead
- Des Moines
- State Capitol
- Clouds
- State Symbols

Above
#ISFMural Concept

Opposite
#ISFMural, 14' x 12', 2015
Iowa State Fair
Des Moines, Iowa



CITYSCAPES

“ I love to get lost in the lights,
architecture, and movement of
urban settings. ”

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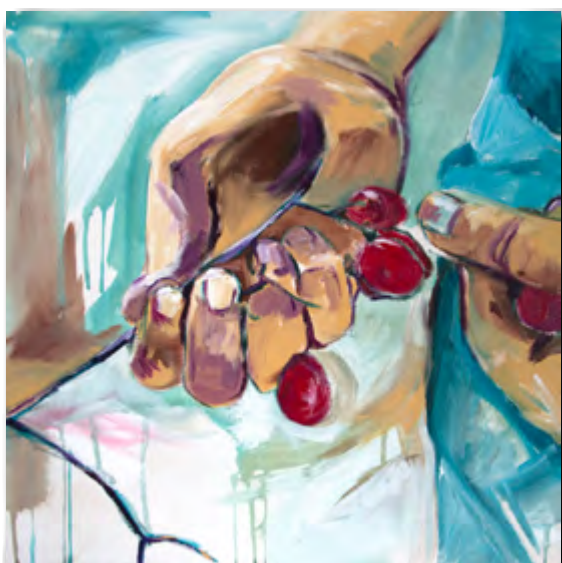




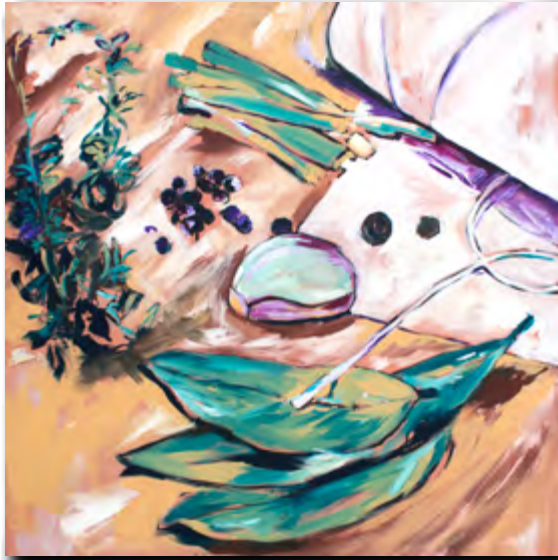
FOOD & DRINK

“Working with craft brewers & restaurant owners has taught me to appreciate the art of food.”

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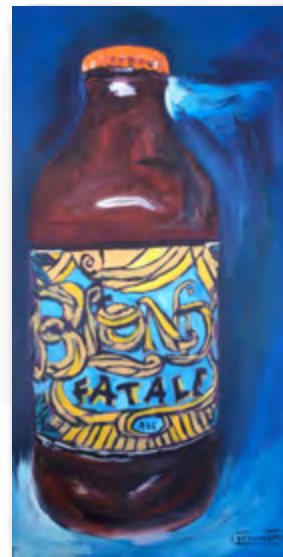
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TEXTURES IN NATURE





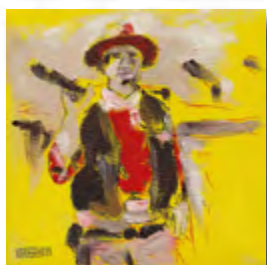
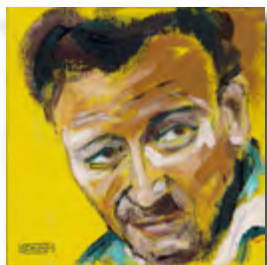
Above
Conference room installation

Textures in nature installation
Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services
Des Moines, Iowa

PORTRAITS & FIGURATIVE

“A show in college focused on portraits and I have appreciated the challenge ever since.”

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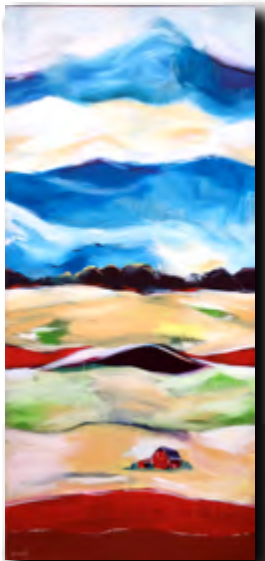
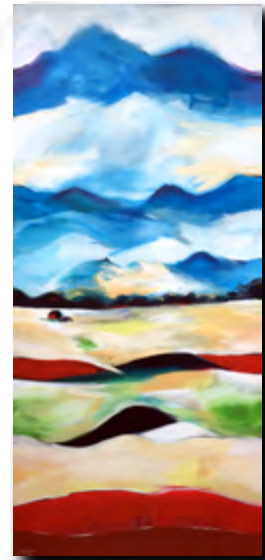


PORTRAITS & FIGURATIVE





ABSTRACT





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Private Collection
Johnston, Iowa

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