

AUSTIN REED

Austin Reed was born in Ventura, California in 1989. His work is driven by his imagination and a love for city life to create works of art that consistently grab attention through an expressionistic, multi-media approach. Although Reed's background and training is in tattoo art (he moved to San Diego in 2013 to pursue a career as a tattoo artist), the two-dimensionality and pedestrian nature of the media drove him to find a far more expressive outlet in contemporary fine art. This rebellion against figurative illustration motivates his use of texture and mix of finishes.



Each of Austin Reed's paintings is a reaction to the diverse composition and imagery of urban environments. Incorporating street views and abstract layering into his varied compositions, Reed combines conceptual photography with cityscapes and visual poetics to explore an eclectic range of environments. When beginning each painting, Reed uses the compositions of the cityscapes as a guide for the underlying color blocking. He then transforms that rather linear view with emotionally driven gestural expression, adding movement to the artwork and allowing the viewer to see new city spaces.

Neon signs, windows, skyscrapers, and alleyways are deconstructed within each painting. A concrete environment becomes "broken," as the many aspects of a city converge into one image. Reed's most recent work involves figurative and textual elements inspired by urban street art and delves more intimately into the lives of those that call cities home.

Austin Reed is in his studio painting daily expanding to multiple art shows and galleries, while also doing custom works.

EXHIBITIONS & FAIRS

- 2019 ART in LA afFair, Los Angeles, CA
- 2018 "Street Art Echoes," Artspace Warehouse, Los Angeles, CA

REPRESENTATION

- Artspace Warehouse, Los Angeles, CA
- Laguna Art Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA

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