

# MARK HEWKO

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Mark Hewko is a visual artist specializing in contemporary abstract murals. Raised in New York City by Eastern European immigrants, Mark experimented at an early age in both Roman and Cyrillic alphabets during his involvement in the Graffiti / Street Art movement. Based on his professional graphic design experience and rich Ukrainian cultural heritage, Mark transforms letterforms and words into bold, geometric compositions that burst forth from dull, lifeless walls. He lives and works in San Diego.

## EDUCATION

1997 *Fashion Institute of Technology* - B.A. Graphic Design / A.A.S. Advertising Design

## PUBLIC ART

2024 *Yuma Art Center* - Yuma, AZ  
*Frost Foundry* - Palm Springs, CA

2023 *Balboa Transit Center* - San Diego, CA  
*San Diego International Airport* - San Diego, CA

2022 *Proyecto Áce (ACE Projects)* - Buenos Aires, Argentina  
*San Diego Design Week 2022 / Seaport Village* - San Diego, CA

2021 *Polo Positivo Sport Club* - Milis, Italy

2020 *North Park Community Art Program* - San Diego, CA

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2024 *Multiple Choice*, Yuma Art Center - Yuma, AZ (Dec 2024 - Jan 2025)

2023 *Building Blocks*, Visual Gallery - San Diego, CA

2022 *Razom / Martedì d'arte Fundraiser*, Pappalecco - San Diego, CA

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 *Absolutely Abstracts*, Escondido Foundation Arts - Escondido, CA  
*Hello Neighbor*, SD Architecture Foundation at Tecture - San Diego, CA

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- 2023 *The Last Group Show*, Bread & Salt - San Diego, CA  
*A Necessary Departure* / San Diego International Airport, CA
- 2022 *Proyecto Áce*, - Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 2021 *2001: A Nuraghe Odyssey* - Milis, Italy  
*Summer Showcase*, Sparks Gallery - San Diego, CA  
*San Diego Museum of Art Artist Guild Summer Exhibition*, San Diego Museum of Art  
*Rotation*, Visual Gallery - San Diego, CA  
*Fast Forward*, Visual Gallery - San Diego, CA
- 2020 *Reconnect*, Visual Gallery - San Diego, CA
- 2019 *For the Love of Art*, Visual Gallery - San Diego, CA
- 2015 *Eat / Pray / Thug*, Aicon Gallery - New York City
- 2014 *Visualizing Our Americana: Color Polemics*, Gateway Projects - Newark, NJ  
*Beyond Bollywood*, Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History - DC
- 2012 *PDN Photo Expo/World in Focus*, Jacob Javits Center - New York City
- 2011 *Kinofest Film Festival*, Ukrainian Museum - New York City
- 2010 *Big City of Dreams*, C-Fizz Gallery - Brooklyn, NY

## **AWARDS**

*Absolutely Abstracts*, Escondido Foundation Arts, *Honorable Mention*, 2024  
*PDN Magazine World in Focus*, Travel Portrait *First Place*, 2013  
*Photography Masters Cup*, Portrait *Finalist*, 2010  
*Communication Arts*, Illustration Art *Direction*, 2006  
*Society of Publication Designers*, Design *Merit*, 2005

## **RESIDENCIES & WORKSHOPS**

*Proyecto áce* / AIR - Buenos Aires, Argentina, November 2022  
*Nocefresca* / AIR - Sardinia, Italy, September 2021  
*Notturmi Mosaic School* / Workshop - Ravenna, Italy, November 2014

## **PRESS**

*KPBS* / San Diego - 2023  
*SD Voyager Magazine* - San Diego, 2022  
*Artribune* - Italy, 2021  
*Sardegna Eventi 24* - Italy, 2021  
*La Nuova* / Sardegna Oristano - Italy, 2021