Harry Crank

Mural Artist & Illustrator

Contact

Harry@FlorpStudios.com 804-475-1065 Florpstudios.com

Expertise

Digital Illustration Painting Stencil Work Pattern Design

Education

BFA in Graphic Design 2016 James Madison University Harrisonburg, Virginia

Notable Murals

Haleon's Richmond Map 1305 Sherwood Ave Richmond, Virginia June 2023

Making Faces Mobile Mural 4 Locations in town Manitou Springs, Colorado May 2023

Llamas Playing Poker Secret Garden Hostel Quito, Ecuador November 2016

Chesapeake & Ohio Railway 1717 East Cary Street Richmond, Virginia January 2013

Artist Statement

Based out of Manitou Springs, Colorado, Graphic Artist Harry Crank's work blends the worlds of illustration & art with his bold, colorful paintings. Influenced by the wildly exaggerated cartoons of the late 90's & early 2000's, Harry's work leans heavily on strong, dark lines complemented by bright, saturated colors -- and often centers around light-hearted, fun subject matter. His eye-catching patterns and happy characters represent ideas of inclusivity, diversity, and community, while brightening the area and bringing smiles to people young and old.

Over the past decade, Harry has painted murals from Quito, Ecuador to Richmond, Virginia, and has exhibited work in a variety of venues and galleries. His goal is to travel the world creating murals that spread cheer and bring people closer together.

Professional Experience

Principal & Co-Founder at Florp Studios - Manitou Springs, Colorado Jan. 2018 - Present: Creating original murals and paintings. Designing & illustrating graphics for apparel, stickers, prints, and more. Branding & marketing for social media. Website design & online store cataloging. Animation and Video editing. Cutting and applying vinyl stencils. Mapping out and painting large-scale public artworks.

Skilled Craftsman for a Prairie Style House - Smith Mountain Lake, Virginia April. 2019 - August 2022: Working 1-on-1 with the general contractor to make sure that all details of the blue prints are met with accuracy and precision. Building and installing framework, exterior walls, and decks. Painting. Landscaping and irrigation.

Skilled Craftsman/Graphic Designer at Muddy Feet Graphics - Harrisonburg, Virginia Feb. 2020 - July 2020: Painting and designing murals with the use of a bucket truck lift. Designing, Fabricating, and Installing elevated, commercial signs and lit menus. Designing and screenprinting t-shirts and apparel. Applying vinyl decals to buildings and vehicles.

Mural Artist at the Secret Garden Hostel - Quito, Ecuador Sept. 2016: Designed and painted a low budget wall mural, as well as three 1'x10' column murals inside the hostel's common area. Each mural highlights activities offered at the Secret Garden Hostel, and incorporates the culture of Quito, Ecuador.

Mural Artist at 1717 Design Group Inc. - Richmond, Virginia January 2013: Painted an elevated, outdoor mural on a 100-year-old brick building. Property prepared the brick surface. Built and maintained scaffolding. Cut, assembled, and applied large-scale stencils for painting.

