

14-Year-Old Art Phenom Paints the Future at Montreal Innovation Conference

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/PRNewswire/ -- Evan Sharma, a 14-year-old neo-expressionist artist based in Kingston, Ontario, shares the story of his creative journey during a series of speaking engagements at this week's C2 Conference in Montreal. One of C2's "six under 16," Sharma will host a 90-minute workshop, titled "Paint yourself out of the corner: let your inner child guide you," focused on infusing creativity into day-to-day life. He also participated in a live-painting showcase accompanying Noah Raford, COO of the Dubai Future Foundation.



"It's so inspiring to share the stage with some of the most brilliant and creative minds working today," said Sharma.

"Creating and experiencing art can teach us so much about ourselves and the world around us, and I'm grateful to have the opportunity to share my work and my story."

At C2, Montreal's leading event focused on the intersection of creativity and innovation, Sharma joined luminaries and icons including Chelsea Manning, Snoop Dogg, and Backstage Capital founder Arlan Hamilton. He was part of the event's inaugural "six under 16" class, which recognized creative young people from across Canada and the United States working to effect change in their communities and beyond.

Accepted to Toronto's Artist Project at age 12, Evan Sharma is one of Canada's most promising and prodigious young artists. His work has been acquired by collectors from NYC, LA and Dubai, and has raised over

\$30,000 for various charities, including the United Way and CAN Fund, in support of Canada's elite athletes performing on the world stage.

Evan's paintings often feature scenes from nature or portraits of 20th century visionaries, including the recent "Throwing Numbers," a portrait of Jackson Pollock.

In addition to the workshop and painting exercise, Evan will give a 5-minute "flash talk" at C2 tomorrow, focused on creativity and expression. On Wednesday, Evan and his fellow six under 16 met with Sophie Grégoire-Trudeau.

To see more of Evan Sharma's work, visit his website **here** (<https://evansharma.com/>) or follow him on **Instagram** (<https://www.instagram.com/evansharmaart/?hl=en>).

About Evan Sharma

Evan is a 14-year-old self-taught fauvist artist from Kingston Ontario, Canada. He gained national prominence when at the age of 12 he became the youngest artist to present their work at Toronto's Artist Project. His artistic journey has been chronicled in a number of documentaries, including those created by CBC Arts and CTV. To date, Evan's artwork has raised over \$30,000 for charities.

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You can access images of Evan utm_source=markets painting at 7000 feet **here** (<https://evansharma.com/pages/media>).