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The Belle Art Tower features the new community mural project created with artist, James Marshall (Dalek). The mural is large, covering the wall with a repetition of vibrant and colorfully painted squares. Dalek was the artist who recently created the new vibrant and graphic murals in Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art's <a href="Lounge">Lounge</a>, <a href="retail store</a>, and <a href="mailto:outdoor courtyard">outdoor courtyard</a>. Come and enjoy "Radiate" the current art installation utilizing Latex paint, the existing walls, and some furniture, which is beautiful, bright and engaging! This summer the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art commissioned Dalek to create site-specific art throughout the SMoCA.



Dalek returned to Scottsdale for an exciting Artist Reception on November 7th followed by the making of a new community mural in the Bell Art Tower on Saturday, November 8th. The day was filled with painting squares, people of ages picked up a paintbrush to assist the artist in his design for the mural. It was wonderful seeing the community so excited about art and what a great idea to involve the community in the creation process!



So who is James Marshall aka Dalek, well he creates stunning artwork that merges the worlds of street art, Japanese pop culture, geometric abstraction and the punk scene. Formally trained at the Art Institute of Chicago and apprenticed with the influential <u>Japanese artist</u>, <u>Takashi Murakami</u>. Dalek work is ever evolving and he is currently focused on utilizing vivid color palettes, complex layering of colors, crisp lines, and



busy geometric patterns.

Next time you are in Old Town Scottsdale be sure to stop by the Belle Art Tower and stop in at the SMoCA to see Dalek work! The SMoCA is located at 7374 East Second Street, Scottsdale 85251. Visit their website for more information about exhibitions and events at <a href="https://www.smoca.org/">https://www.smoca.org/</a>. To learn more about the talented artist, James Marshall visit <a href="http://www.dalekart.com/">https://www.dalekart.com/</a>.\*Images courtesy of Scottsdale Public Art and Photographer Chris Loomis.

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