

## Blak Grit Artists

**seangarrison** is a Detroit native raised in Minneapolis. He is an abstract artist whose practice includes studio work and "large scale live painting experiences" with themes that often provokes the needle of this country be pushed in a direction where humanity is edified and beautified through truth. His most famous work "*Walking on Air*", painted on the grounds of the Government center during the Derek Chavin verdict, has been seen locally and nationally.

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**A Drew Hammond** calls himself an "analog collage" artist. He is from Baltimore Maryland. His work focuses on expressing the life history and legacies of people in the African American diaspora which is an important and personal undertaking in a society filled with disregard and misinformation. His versatile collage work provokes thought and creates visual disputation and resolve.

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**Miko Simmons** views his art as Visual Jazz. It is free expression it is collaboration and improvisational co-creation within the boundaries of structure and order it is spiritual and contemplative connecting us to familiar memories it is dedication to honoring the history of the art-form it celebrates the Ancestors while being poised for the future. His work is about healing.

IG: **mikosys13**

**Ron Brown** from Gary Indiana pursues the work of Afrofuturism because it expresses the beauty of Blackness and African diaspora culture. He speaks upon his Black culture and lived truth.

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**Flahn Manly** was born in Liberia Flahn moved to Minnesota in 1998. He is an aficionado when it comes to capturing the human spirit in his art. His representational work is powerful using color as a catalyst to make the eye and mind dance. He finds solace in creating and through his work he seeks to allow viewers to feel that solace as well.

IG: **FlahnManly**

**Dio** is an emerging multi-disciplinary artist and curator. He's currently based in the Twin Cities and as an artist of many dimensions his work lives within the intersection of music visual art film and theater. His practice is centered around storytelling connection through universal emotions and experiences and free expression.

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**Shea Maze** is a sculptor painter and chef born and raised in South Minneapolis. His practice is focused on exploration and his voice is shaped by where he's at in life mentally physically or otherwise.

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