

# IOWA CITY MURALS

## 2020 COMPILATION

**TITLE:** *Summer of the Arts*  
(2019)

**ARTIST:** Jessica Schulz

**LOCATION:** On the north wall of  
the Summer of the Arts office  
building

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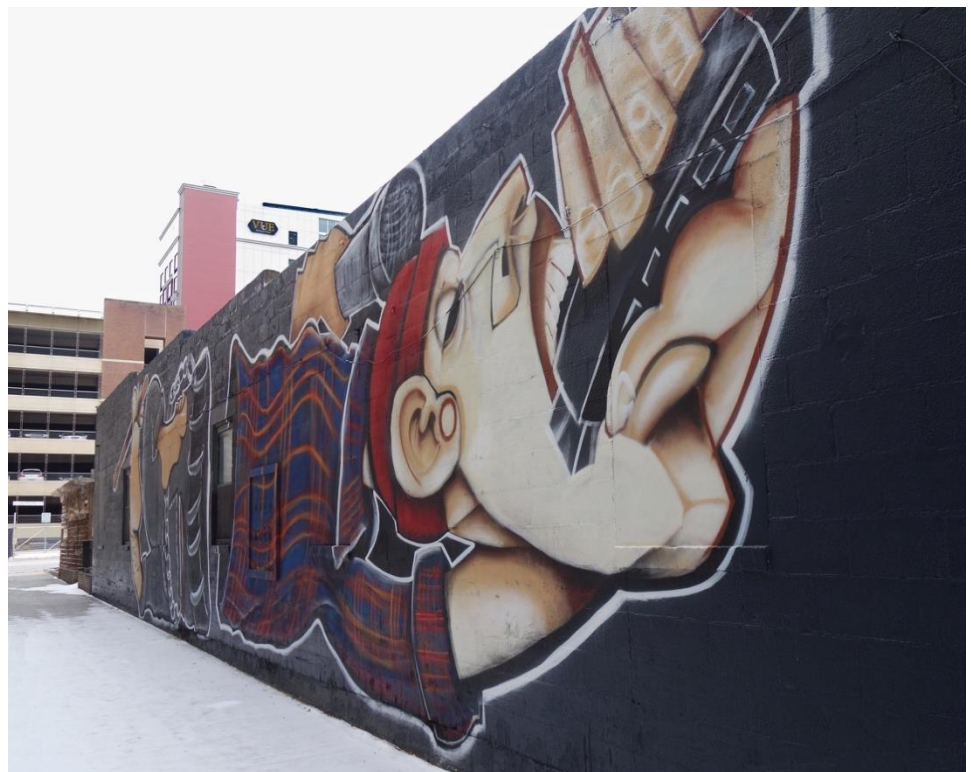


**TITLE:** *(unknown)*

**ARTIST:** Eliezer Sotillo

**LOCATION:** On the  
east wall of The Mill on  
Burlington Street

Photo © Alan Light



**TITLE:** *(unknown)*

**ARTIST:** *(unknown)*

**LOCATION:** On the north wall of The Mill on Burlington Street

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**TITLE:** *Solidarity (2012)*

**ARTIST:** Eliezer Sotillo

**LOCATION:** On the north side of the Burlington St. Parking ramp by Bread Garden

"I believe that we as people should strive to live with acceptance of differences, regardless of race, creed, gender, sexual orientation, or religious beliefs. In order for a community to function peacefully, members must continue to embrace diversity. Learning to understand perspectives that are unlike our own and practicing unity amongst a large collective will foster solidarity."

Photo © Eliezer Sotillo





**TITLE:** *Practice Love* (2019)

**ARTIST:** Ali Hval

**LOCATION:** On the north side of Hot House Yoga

Photo © The Daily Iowan



**TITLE:** *Is This Heaven? No. It's the Ped Mall* (2014)

**ARTIST:** Megan Dehner & Assistants

**LOCATION:** On the south side of Yotopia on the ped mall at the intersection of College and Clinton

This mural was commissioned by Yotopia to fill in the blank blonde bricks that occupied the southern outer wall of Yotopia. "It's kind of a whimsical illustration of the dairy farm where we get our products from for our yogurt".



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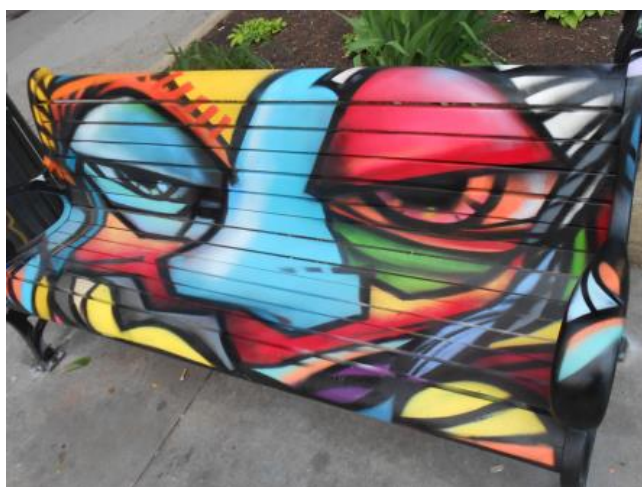
**TITLE:** *BenchMarks*

**ARTIST:** Various

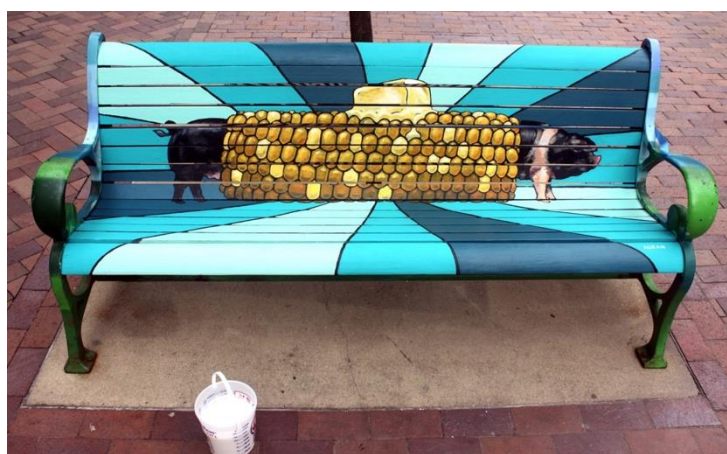
**LOCATION:** Ped Mall in downtown Iowa City.



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**TITLE:** *Greetings from Downtown Iowa City (2017)*

**ARTIST:** Thomas Agran

**LOCATION:** Alley between Linn St. and the Ped Mall on the side of the ICPL

Greetings from Downtown Iowa City mural, a commission for the Iowa City Downtown District on the Iowa City Public Library. Based off a Curt-Teich large letter postcard, the mural features institutions of the arts in Iowa City.



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**TITLE:** *Iowa City Robot (2018)*

**ARTIST:** Ryan McGuire

**LOCATION:** Alley between Linn St. and the Ped Mall on the side of the Fieldhouse

This playful installation is half mural and half sculpture. It consists of simple hand-cut wood circles, squares, and rectangles. When placed strategically on the wall these shapes transform into a giant retro robot.

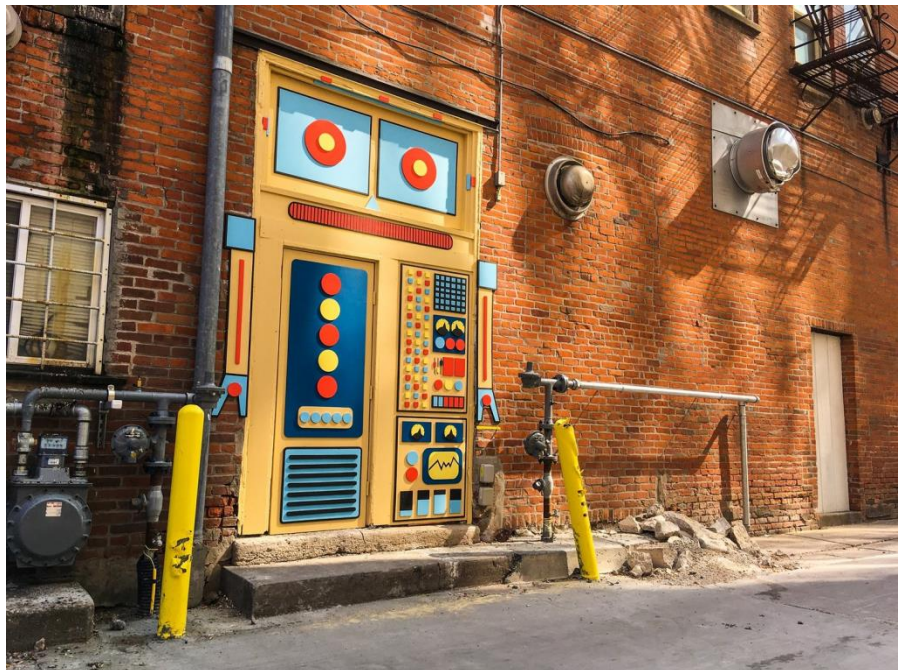


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**TITLE:** *Screendance* (2018)

**ARTIST:** Marina Ross

**LOCATION:** On the alley between Clinton St. and the Ped Mall on the back side of Filmscene

Inspired by the first sequential photographs representing motion shot by Eadweard Muybridge in 1886, the mural depicts interdisciplinary artist and University of Iowa dance professor Michael Sakamoto (top), dance artist and University of Iowa dance MFA graduate Jesse Factor (bottom), and the artist Marina Ross (middle) performing their own work. Originally in video format, the performances were isolated into film stills and colored to represent a contemporary and digital reinterpretation of the historical reference.



Photo © Iowa City Downtown District

**TITLE:** *(untitled commission)*

**ARTIST:** Thomas Agran

**LOCATION:** On the alley between Clinton St. and the Ped Mall on the side of MidWestOne Bank

Commission for MidWestOne Bank in Iowa City, Iowa. Mural draws on imagery of the founder of the bank and the original vault door. Completed over the course of 3 weeks in September. Approximately 35'x100'.

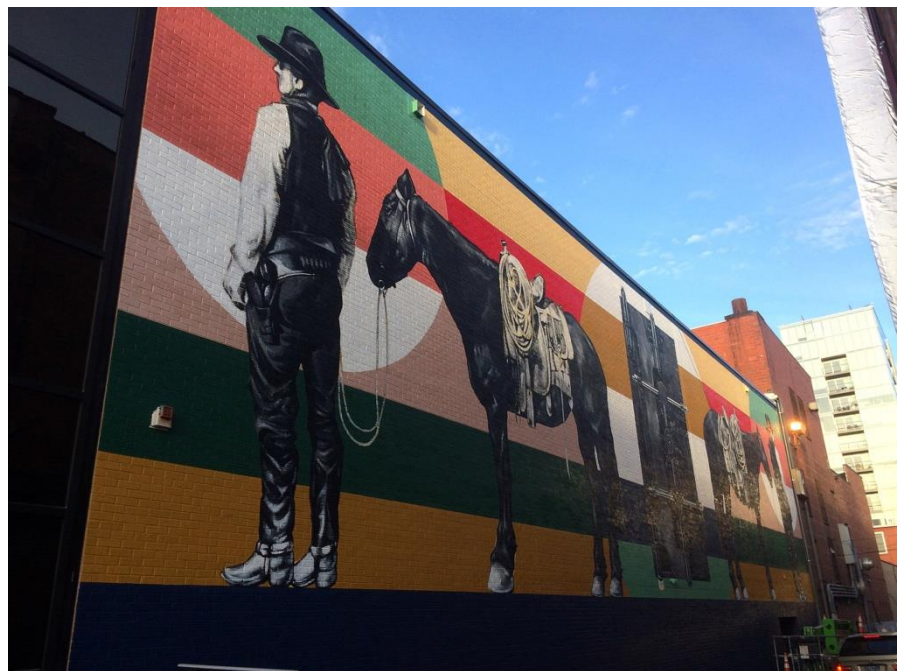


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**TITLE:** *Proximamente; Reine Del Oceano Interior* (2018)

**ARTIST:** Nick Meister

**LOCATION:** Alley between Linn St. and the Ped Mall on the back side of Meacham Travel

“Dreaming of a Midwest Ocean.”

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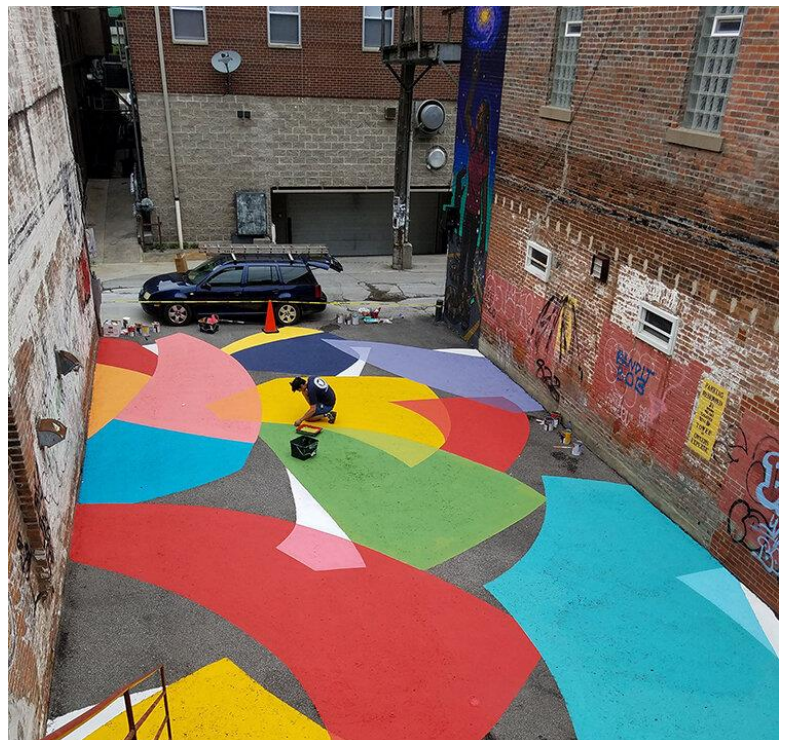


**TITLE:** *(untitled mural)*

**ARTISTS:** Thomas Agran and Drew Etienne

**LOCATION:** In the parking lot off the alley behind Discerning Eye

Photo © Drew Etienne



**TITLE:** *Coexist* (2018)

**ARTIST:** Sayuri Sasaki Hemann & United Action for Youth

**LOCATION:** On the east side of Beadology, overlooking the US Bank Parking lot (me/Sayuri)

“One cold day in December 2017, Thomas Agran (a.k.a. sous chef) reached out to UAY to partner on the biggest, happiest, most dreamy mural of all time with their youth artists. He then recruited Sayuri be the captain of this dreamship. Sayuri and youth collected many, many ideas to contribute to the IDEA BANK (#ideabank), to be used for creating the design of *Coexist*. She then formed a dream team, a.k.a. #muraldreamteam, with 11 amazing youth artists, and the rest, my dearest friends, is history.”

Photo © Iowa City Downtown District



**TITLE:** *The Raccoon and the Firefly / Galaxia y La Culebra* (2018)

**ARTIST:** Dave Loewenstein

**LOCATION:** Alley between Linn St and Dubuque St, across from Studio 13

“Does the glow of cell phones come from the captured bioluminescence of fireflies?”

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**TITLE:** *The Return*  
(2018)

**ARTIST:** Chris Vance

**LOCATION:** On the alley  
of the north side of US  
Bank

A flood of color, the mural  
provides a striking and  
exuberant counterpoint to  
a monochromatic street  
corner.

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City District



**TITLE:** *(untitled mural)* (2015)

**ARTIST:** Eric Seckel

**LOCATION:** On the south side of  
Sports Column on the alley that  
connect Dubuque and Linn

The airbrushed mural — roughly  
10 feet by 14 feet — depicts  
former Iowa Hawkeye Tim Dwight  
in stride.

Photo © Eric Seckel / AirEfex



**TITLE:** *(untitled mural)*

**ARTIST:** Keaton Rogers

**LOCATION:** 217 Iowa Ave., along the pedestrian alley that leads to Eden Lounge

A hidden treasure downtown, this mural is located between two buildings and easy to miss. Painted by an Eden Lounge employee, the mural adds a special touch to Iowa City nightlife.

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**TITLE:** *(untitled mural) (2001)*

**ARTIST:** Anna Ullerich

**LOCATION:** On the north side of Dulcinea

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**TITLE:** *(untitled commission)*

**ARTIST:** *Thomas Agran*

**LOCATION:** On the front of Banditos restaurant on Market Street

Restaurant façade wrap on Banditos Mexican restaurant in Iowa City. The restaurant formerly occupied only 1/2 of the building, and this project worked to unify the new facade and create a memorable, eye catching, and identifiable street presence.



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**TITLE:** *Wild Culture Mural (2019)*

**ARTIST:** Alexis Beucler

**LOCATION:** On the east/alley side of Wild Culture Kombucha

“Inspired by the riverways around Iowa, I landed on a colorful leisurely water scene as the mural’s focus. I’m interested in the



above and below, how landscape shifts and becomes more fluid beneath the water’s surface, and how the underwater landscape is so different from the one we experience day-to-day.

Atop a cloud, a costumed female figure emits a radiant pink energy that flows throughout the mural. This energy is patterned with flowers and speaks not only about the power of feminine energy but also the trope of mother nature and the power that natural (and man-made) surroundings have on us.”

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**TITLE:** *Riverside Theatre Mural (2019)*

**ARTIST:** Madeline Mendell

**LOCATION:** On the east side of Riverside Theater

Drawing on abstracted imagery of stage lights and curtains, this design celebrates the community theatre that lives behind these two boarded up overhead doors.

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**TITLE:** *Browns and Nudes (2017)*

**ARTIST:** Katherine Simóne Reynolds

**LOCATION:** On the north side of the Wesley Student Center building

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