

YOURHEAD | Tanner Lemon

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Artist Statement

Our assumptions about other people leave no room for the truth. Is it not true that deep within each of us lie secrets and stories that long to be shared? There's always more.

Filled with pain caused by the generations before us, we move through life seeking answers on how to heal the pain – or attempting to make it disappear. YOURHEAD believes that we need each other to heal. We need to know what's hidden deep down inside of someone else to learn new perspectives for healing what's inside of us. We need to teach each other how to heal.

The artist explores the relationship between the deeply rooted pain we all experience and what we actually share and physically see, attempting to reveal the true identity of their subjects, sometimes with elaborate embellishments related to their personality, other times with simple phrases or natural elements.

People are inspiring, experiencing pain, and beautiful. YOURHEAD uses painting as something to be shared and understood – something to help heal the pain.

Experience

MARCH 2014 - PRESENT

YOURHEAD, United States & Anderson, IN – Owner & Artist

- Acrylic and oil paintings, hand-lettered murals & signs, live paintings for events, and custom art commissions
- Music production, songwriting, and live performances
- Manage all aspects of the business including marketing, sales, and customer service
- Create and maintain a website and online store
- ~90% of artworks made between the start and present have been sold
- 'Primarily self-taught + 4-month apprenticeship

OCT 2020 - PRESENT

Thought Co, Anderson, IN – Designer & Developer

- UX, marketing, and web development
- Design and execute
- Freelance using sites like Upwork
 - 3-5 long-term clients

JUNE 2018 - JUNE 2019

Oakpark Preschool, Massillon, OH – Art Teacher

- Taught art to children ages 0-9 year olds

- Created and executed lesson plans
- Managed classrooms of 5-15 students
- Managed and maintained art supplies

Awards

JANUARY 2022 - JANUARY 2023

On-Ramp Fellowship, Bloomington, IN – by Indiana Arts Commission

- Created and released a 4-song EP accompanied by a music video
 - <https://artists.landr.com/whales>
 - YOURHEAD - Early Morning
- Received a \$2,000 grant to fund the project
- Received mentorship from a professional musician

2014 - 2016 & 2019

Artist in Residence, Anderson, IN – A Town Center

- Pilot artist in residence program
- Taught art classes to children and adults
- Created and sold artworks,
- Created and sold custom art commissions

Community Engagement

2019 - 2022

Local Homeschool Group, Anderson, IN – Art Teacher

- Taught art classes to children ages 5-12
- Created and executed weekly lesson plans
- Designed innovative art experiences

2014 - 2019

Live Paintings, United States – Various Organizations

- Painted live at 20+ events
- Created and sold artworks
- Donated artworks to charity
- Orchestrated community paintings & art projects

2015 - 2016

Artist in Residence, Columbus, OH – Ohio Church of God Youth & Discipleship

- Taught art classes to youth at 5 summer camps
- Completed live paintings summer camps
- Led a community mural project
- Taught workshops at 2 leadership retreats