HOW WE GOT HERE:
THE NEW WAVE OF CLT MURAL ARTS

The last two and a half years have been ridiculous for the Charlotte Street Art scene. The Queen City is experiencing an explosion in commissioned and uncommissioned exterior and interior wall art. This infographic timeline lays out the many milestones that we considered "firsts" in the Charlotte mural art story.The range of talent, techniques, tenacity is on par to rival other cities of a similar size and in regional proximity. There are more events, festivals, and artists than we can count on our fingers and toes. All good problems. But all of this amazing growth didn't happen over night.. Presidence is power. Find your Muse.

PRE-CURSORS | **MILLENIUM WAVE** | **RECESSION OF 2008** | **RECESSION ERA** | **NEW WAVE (CLT)**

Signs & Billboards
Artist(s) Unknown
1880s-1960s

The Charlotte Club Mural
Artist(s) Unknown
1930s

Various Bank Lobby Murals
Artist(s) Unknown
1920s-1960s

Mecklenberg Gold Company Mural
Artist(s) Unknown
Circa1950s

BOA Tower Lobby Mural
Ben Long
1985

Hornets Mural
Artist Unknown
Late 80s

Spirit Square Mural
Artist Unknown
Late 80s

Spirit Square Mosaic
Artist Unknown
Late 80s

NoDa Arts District
Too Many To Name
1980s-90s

Pre-EpiCenter Walls
CLT Writers & Skaters
1990s

Convention Center Murals
TJ Reddy Ruth Ava Lions
2004

Green's Lunch Counter Signage
John Burgin
2005

Wall Poems
Amy Bagwell Graham Carew
Scott Nurkin
2007

East Blvd. City Skyline
Artist Unknown
2007

CLT Art Drops
Arko Owl Miss Lotus Dr. Caligari
MCOT SmokeyContraband
2007

White Rabbit Mural
Gil Croy
00s

The Matheson Bridge Foundation Walls
CLT Writers & Skaters
2005

Solstice Sunburst Mural
Kirby Miller
2009

PBR Arts Murals
Rob Riley Kevin Taylor
2013

Silos at South End
Mike Watson
2011

Matheson Bridge Meck Dec History Mural
Wil Puckett
2011

Obama Mural
Wil Puckett
2012

Jack Beagles Mural
Wil Puckett
2009-2011

Charlotte Art League Mural
Carlleena Person
2010

Chop Shop Loading Dock Walls
LTFK Crew Dr Caligari Prove Nothing
2010

The Art Hole
Rob Reilly Kevin Taylor
2014

"The Local" Mural
Matt Hooker Matt Moore
2015

Gallery Twenty-Two
Rodney Rains / Nick Bloomberg
/ Scott Weaver
2014

Crawl B4 U Ball Live Art
Alex Delarge
2014

Fat City Lofts
LTFK Crew
2015

Paper Cut Gallery
Emily Pfhal
Mid 2000s

Mint St. Panther Mural
George Howard
2016

Goodyear Arts Uptown Murals
Amy Bagwell, Amy Herman , & Graham Carew (Curated)
2015

Boileryard Doors Camp North End
Matt Hooker
2015

LYNX Blue Line Murals
Sharon Dowell
2015

Hyatt House Murals
Matt Allen + Community
2015

CLT Art Bomb Exhibition
Mike Wirth & Emily Pfhal(Curated)
2015

"If These Walls Could Talk"
Nalee Thao Boom! Team
2016

Spirit Square Columns
Raquel Gaiten John Burgin Matt Moore
Bree Stallings Arko Owl Nick Napoletano
John Hairston Jr. Obsoe
2016

El Barto!
Alex Delarge Dustin Moates
2016

Gannt Center Mural
David Wilson
2016

Soltice Tavern Murals
Brand The Moth (Curated)
Georgi Nakima Nick Napoletano
Jonay DiRagno
2016

Poseidon Mural
Matt Hooker Matt Moore
2018

BLK MKT Live Paint
Dammit Wesley
2018

Talking Walls
Rob Reilly, Kevin Taylor
Sam Guzzie, Mike Wirth
& Alex Delarge (Curation Team)
2018

Southern Tiger Ambush 1 Murals
Alex Delarge Jeks Sebastian Coolidge
Dustin Moates Nick Napoletano Arko Owl
2017

NoDa Mill History
Rosalia Torres-Weiner
2018

Graham St. Bridge Mural
Brand The Moth
2018

Can Jams
Osiris Rain Swytch
2018

The Roll Up
Jessica Moss + Resident Artists
2018

SHOUT! Murals
Charlotte Center City Parnters
2019

Battle Walls
Southern Tiger Co. Mint Museum
Talking Walls
2019

RCLM 37 Murals
Janelle Dunlap
2019

End to End Murals
2019

Ladies To The Front
Bree Stallings (Curator)
2019

Constellations
Mint Museum
2018

Vision Awards
CLT Writers
2019

*This graphic is a draft of a living history project. It has errors and is incomplete. If you have edits and additions, please nicely DM me and I'd be happy to add it.

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