

# Join us we celebrate the opening of our exciting <u>Hearts & Minds</u> exhibit featuring 25 artists' collaborative works created specifically for the show.

Hearts & Minds: An All City Collaborative Art Show Opening Reception Friday, November 13 from 6pm to 10:30pm Hairpin Arts Center, 2810 N Milwaukee Avenue / Chicago

A production of <u>Attitude 7</u> and <u>AnySquared Projects</u>, the *Heart & Minds* exhibition opens on November 13 and runs through November 28 at the Hairpin Arts Center.

<u>Hearts & Minds</u> features 47 original works made specifically for exhibit and street display by 25 artists in collaboration with Attitude 7. The exhibit at the arts center showcases 25 pieces (one by each artist). The other 22 collaborative works are street pieces installed in locations throughout the city of Chicago over the last 4 months. The arts center exhibit includes photographs that document each street piece along with the gallery pieces.

Artists: Tracy Kostenbader / Peaceflow / Lucky Gnome / 978 / Amie Sell / Nando Espinosa /Jorge Felix / Flash ABC / The Chup / Fedz / Müse / Jose Valdovinos / ABC Kills / Radah / Amara Betty Martin / Xeno Martinez / Cyberphunk / Teresa Magaña / Rizzy / Diana Solis / George Larson / Cesar Moyorido / Ashley Antunez / Bunny XIv / Tararchy / All works in collaboration with Attitude 7.

Through painting, drawing, collage, sculpture, printmaking, etc. each artist responded to Attitude 7's "hand" stencil and created pieces interpreted through their particular vision and media. "The reason why I created the hand stencil is because many artists' expressions are projected through their hands," explained Attitude 7.

"The <u>Hearts & Minds</u> Show encourages mutual interaction between artists, while also creating community," says Attitude 7. The project intends to showcase the relationship between artists, various media, and location. Each individual street art piece stood alone, was placed in separate locations throughout Chicago. The street installations exposed each artist's work to people who would not normally seek out art and were temporary in nature. In a very different context, the exhibition at the arts center will display multiple pieces side by side, one from each artist, that create a dialogue between each other.

"I selected these 25 artists to be part of the <u>Hearts & Minds</u> project because they are either great inspiration, great art partners, or artists whom I believe to have great creative potential. I've also had the privilege to work directly with many of the artists on various art projects from political to community service. I decided to choose artists exclusively from Chicago since this is the city where I have established myself as an artist and rooted myself in the local art scene." says Attitude 7.

"I decided to work with AnySquared Projects to produce the <u>Hearts & Minds</u> Show because Tracy Kostenbader (Founder of AnySquared) and myself have collaborated on many projects. Her mentorship in my development as an artist and designer in the past two years has also been of great aid. I feel thankful of Tracy's support throughout projects and specially on her latest aid in the Hearts & Minds Show." Said Attitude 7.

"AnySquared is excited to produce the <u>Hearts & Minds</u> Show with Attitude 7 because of the collaborative nature of the project. We hope to create a provocative exhibit of the repeated images made by each artist as well as a display of documentary photographs of the street pieces in context." Said Tracy Kostenbader of <u>AnySquared Projects</u>.



<u>Attitude 7</u> is Brian Herrera's Street art moniker that has evolved into his current graphic design & artist identity. Attitude 7 is deeply interested in discovering symbolism with the belief that attitude defines your character. He continues to develop his artistic style through his experiences in the neighborhood, community and political activism. Attitude 7 is also an AnySquared member amongst other affiliations.

<u>AnySquared Projects</u> is an all-volunteer collaborative and artistic network headquartered at AnyWhere Space in Chicago. Propelled by a deep sense of cooperation with artists, neighbors and the wider community, AnySquared's mission is to support, produce and promote collaborative projects that facilitate arts activities through inclusive participation. AnySquared's foundation is built upon the idea that we can do anything as long as we do it together.

### Summary & Programming Details:

#### Hearts & Minds:

An All City Collaborative Art Show Features Works by 25 Artists and Attitude 7 An Attitude 7 / AnySquared Production Hairpin Arts Center, 2810 N Milwaukee Avenue / Chicago

#### **Opening Reception Event**

Friday, November 13 6pm to 10:30pm

- On Display November 13-18
  Gallery Hours from 2pm to 5pm:
  Saturday November 14
  Sunday November 15
  Saturday November 28
  Additional hours by appointment or during
  the Screening and Loudarts event below.
- Hearts & Minds Screening Nando Espinosa's video about the creation of Hearts & Minds Friday November 20 8pm to 9:30pm
- Loudarts' Live Music & Live Painting (Details TBA) Saturday November 21 7pm to 10:30pm

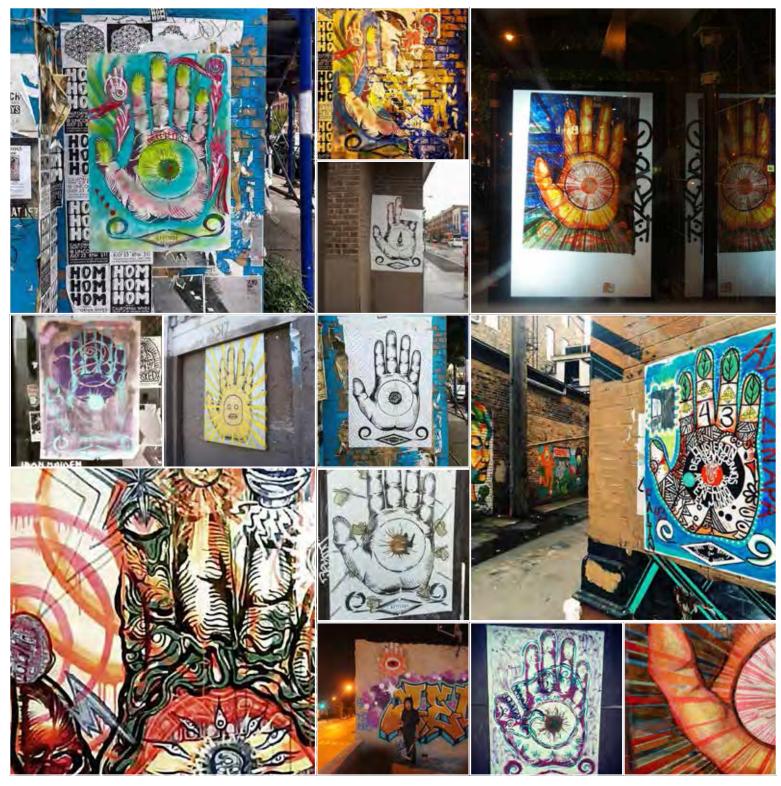
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Exhibit Pages: anysquared.com/heartsandminds attitudeseven.com/heartsandminds2015



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## SELECTED STREET INSTALLATIONS

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