

The Houston Bowery Wall

Tomokazu Matsuyama

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Tomokazu Matsuyama is showcasing his artwork at the Houston Bowery wall program from September 1, 2023.

“It features 30 portraits: everyday New Yorkers, cultural icons from magazines, scenes from movies, and people I’ve photographed over my two decades living in New York. The piece is titled ‘Color of the City’, New York is a city of dualities—love vs. hate, acceptance vs. disapproval, acknowledgment vs. rejection. Yet, its diversity and challenging spirit offer opportunities for minorities like myself to thrive globally. I wanted to encapsulate that spirit, as a way of giving back to the city. I trust New York sees this as an act of passion and dedication.”

— Tomokazu Matsuyama

The launch of the Houston Bowery Wall program in New York City was a fruitful renaissance for one of the highest regarded mural walls in the United States. Keith Haring made the wall famous by painting an original mural as a gift to the community in the late 1970s. With ownership of the wall, the Goldman family felt a sense of responsibility to bring art and beauty to the public on a grand scale. Through this initiative, the Houston Bowery Wall invites established and emerging street artists from the United States and around the world who have a powerful message of inspiration, possibility, and hope.