

Off the Streets: Shapes and Line



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Saturdays & Sundays 12-5pm,

(by appointment December 18-31)

Opening reception Friday, December 1, 6-10pm

Artist Talk Wednesday, December 6, 6:30pm

Bell Projects presents – **Off the Streets: Shapes and Line** – a solo exhibition featuring new work by **Charles CLs Schriver**. This exhibition opens Friday, December 1 and runs through December 31, 2023. Please join us for an **opening reception on December 1st from 6pm until 10pm**.

For CLs, art is not meant to last forever and only remains in time for a fleeting moment. When working on site-specific installations, his street art sculptures and relief murals are created using boarded up buildings, construction sites, and other temporary architectural structures as his canvas. To create these ephemeral murals, he arranges ordinary wooden shapes that he collects from alleyways, garbage cans, and scrap piles set out by individuals, strategically attaching them to the wooden barricades, boarded windows, and construction fences. By both taking from and building on these oftentimes ephemeral environments, the very nature of making embodies a site specific purpose for the installation in its environment. This allows individuals to interact with the space around them. The spontaneity of these site-specific murals and sculptures is felt by those passing by, creating a unique and unexpected experience for those who stumble upon them.

For *Off the Streets: Shapes and Line*, CLs brings his sculptures inside. Built in the same fashion as he does outdoors, these sculptures incorporate the usual found objects and street art elements such as upcycled wood, spray paint, screws and other building materials, but also add in items and materials one might find inside their homes: mosaic tiles, thread, mirrors, and ceramic pots. Not overly ornamented or ornate, these sculptures align with the principles of the Bauhaus, or International Style, creating harmony between the rectilinear shapes, clean lines, and simple shapes. For Bauhaus designers, art should meet the needs of society without distinction between form and function. CLs's works live in a similar realm, integrated within the surrounding landscape, connected to society.

My name is Charles Lewis Schriver and I strive to have active engagement and interaction with the people of my community. The world. iknowcls.com

CLs is an American Bauhaus street artist. Working in wood on the streets, his unique site-specific installations complement the ever changing landscapes of our communities.



Number 50

2023

Upcycled wood, mosaic tiles,
moss, screws, nails, thread
44 x 16"

\$750

*Walk with me and let's get lost.
Let go of the things that haunt
you...*



Number 51

2023

Upcycled wood, mosaic tiles,
screws, thread
39 1/2 x 22"

\$750

*Do you need authority? It
definitely makes making
decisions easier...*



Number 61

2022

Upcycled wood, spray paint
36 x 13"

\$750

*Flower power. Rasta Mon
vibrations...*



Number 64

2023

Upcycled wood, moss, spray
paint
39 x 14"

\$700

Nicely, nice...



Number 52

2023

Upcycled wood, mosaic tiles,
screws, thread
36 x 21 1/2"

\$750

*Today I cut wood, that smells
like butter...*



Number 60

2023

Upcycled wood
36 x 32"

\$900

Chuck roast charm...



Number 62

2022

Upcycled wood, spray paint
57 x 15"

\$1000

*Taste so sweet when it hits
your lips...*



Number 67

2023

Upcycled wood, spray paint
30 x 13 1/2"

\$650

*Off the streets, there are many
treats. Flesh and bone are
required to play...*



Number 70

2023

Upcycled wood, spray paint,
mirrors
41 x 20"

\$750

Positive vibrations!..



Number 63

2023

Upcycled wood, moss, acrylic paint

35 x 18"

\$700

Run all the way to the ground. Then turn it around...



Number 68

2023

Upcycled wood, spray paint, mirrors

42 1/2 x 13 1/2"

\$900

Fuck it!..



Number 65

2023

Upcycled wood, moss, spray paint, mosaic tiles

42 x 19"

\$750

Circling the sun. We are conscious water. That will evaporate back into the earth...



Number 55

2022

Upcycled wood, tape, spray paint, resin

40 1/2 x 8 1/2"

\$800

I love the smell of onions cooking in butter...



Number 66

2023

Upcycled wood, acrylic paint, mirrors

25 1/2 x 16"

\$850

Nectar of the gods she used to say. She's gone now. Passed away...



Number 69

2023

Upcycled wood, spray paint

98 1/2 x 9 1/2"

\$1500

I drive one lane roads. While people talk to me in codes...



Number 11

2023

Upcycled wood, spray paint

19 x 15"

\$350



Number 59

2023

Upcycled wood, mosaic tiles, ceramic pot, screws, thread

33 x 18"

\$750

OO flow. The doughy dough. East coast Johnny delivering the beats...



Number 71

2023

Upcycled wood, stickers,
mirrors, acrylic paint

37 x 13 1/2"

\$750

Question. How has life been?



Number 58

2023

Upcycled wood, mosaic tiles,
screws, thread

30 x 22"

\$750

*Morning coffee? Why yes
please...*



Number 56

2021

Upcycled wood, spray paint,
resin

43 x 17"

\$800

*Rage against the machine!
What is the machine?*



Number 57

2023

Upcycled wood, resin
17 x 16"

\$400

*Can we get some share plates?
Certainly. I love to share...*



Number 54

2021

Upcycled wood, mosaic tiles
34 1/2 x 12"

\$350

*The smell of rain on the tip of
the nose is like no other...*



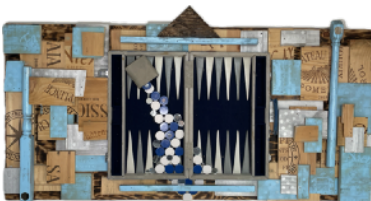
Number 53

2021

Upcycled wood, mosaic tiles
34 1/2 x 12"

\$350

*How much does the average
human consume? All day
long...*



Robert (CLs x Tc5)

2022

Upcycled wood, backgammon
game, spray paint, mirrors

22 x 46"

\$800

Doubles!...