

# Rather Severe

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Artists Jon Stommel and Travis Czekalski are the team behind 'Rather Severe'. Since 2010 they've brought their combined aesthetic styles to the world of Murals, Illustrations, and Public Art to inspire communities and enrich public spaces.

## FEATURED MURAL PROJECTS

### Gravity Project Mural - Columbus, OH 2018

We worked with Kaufman Development to paint a mural for Gravity Project in Columbus, OH. Gravity Project has hired over 20 artists to contribute murals to their development, and we were honored to paint the largest mural in the collection at 212' wide and 45' tall (roughly 7000 sq. ft.) The mural features a sunset scene with a diverse array of plants and other playful abstractions. Budget \$40K.

### Microsoft Cortana Office Mural - Bellevue, WA 2018

Microsoft Cortana commissioned a mural on panels for their office in Bellevue, Washington. The birds-eye-view scene depicts imagery relating to Artificial Intelligence and its ability to work in harmony with nature. Budget \$11K.

### Lumos Solar Mural - Boulder, CO 2016

Boulder-based agency 'And Art Space' connected us with Lumos Solar to paint a mural at their office in Boulder, Colorado. The design features a collection of local plants and animals in an imagined landscape. We balanced semi-realistic renderings of animals and rocks with more graphic and stylized plant forms, creating a unique combination of visual elements to represent the local environment. Budget \$15K.

### Cultural Dance Studio Mural - Beaverton, OR 2016

Our mural for MVP Dance Elite in Beaverton celebrates cultural diversity and the art of Dance. The design features 8 various cultural dancers and was guided by dance professionals and local community members through a series of public meetings. The project was approved by the Beaverton Arts Commission and approved by the Mayor of Beaverton, who praised our work. Budget \$11K.

### Bellevue Emerging Leaders Mural - Bellevue, OH 2015

Using Keim mineral silicate paint, we painted a fresco mural on Dry-Vit substrate for the Bellevue Emerging Leaders Group in northern Ohio. The mural contains 10 portraits of local community members and a faux building facade with a park. This mural features a blend of illustrative plant/foilage with semi-realistic portraiture. Budget \$50K.

## CLIENTS

Microsoft Cortana  
Adidas  
Kaiser Permanente  
Red Bull  
Wieden + Kennedy  
Flir Thermal Imaging  
Boston Marathon  
Portland Parks & Recreation  
Portland Trail Blazers  
Portland Farmers Market  
Portland Public Schools  
Hyatt Regency  
TriMet  
City Target  
Coca-Cola  
Denver Urban Arts Fund  
Columbus Gravity Project  
Portland Street Art Alliance  
Beaverton Arts Foundation  
Lumos Solar  
Lloyd Eco-District  
Woodstock N.A.  
Foster-Powell N.A.  
Archrival Agency  
C2K Architecture  
Port of Vancouver WA  
Portland Auto Show  
Kansas City Auto Show  
St. Louis Auto Show  
Twin Cities Auto Show  
Mellow Mushroom Pizza  
Fisher Price  
Ohio EPA  
Bellevue Emerging Leaders  
*References available upon request*

## EDUCATION

### Jon Stommel

Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH  
*BFA* August 2005 - June 2009  
Majored in Illustration with a focus in Painting

### Travis Czekalski

Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH  
*BFA* August 2006 - December 2010  
Majored in Time-Based Media Studies with a focus in Animation