JAMES TSOODLE

SAN FRANCISCO STREET GALLERY

James Tsoodle is an artist known for his powerful portrayals of Native American warriors of the Northern and Southern Plains. Working primarily in acrylic on canvas, his paintings focus on capturing both the physical presence and inner intensity of his subjects, with a strong emphasis on expression, movement, and detail.

From an early age, Tsoodle explored a variety of artistic mediums, including pen and ink, pencil, watercolor, and pastels, before ultimately focusing on painting. Largely self-taught, his path as an artist was shaped by personal challenges, including overcoming dyslexia, which led him to discover art as both a form of expression and a source of confidence.

A defining feature of his work is the attention given to the eyes of his subjects. For Tsoodle, the eyes are central to conveying emotion and story, offering a direct connection to the spirit and individuality of each figure. His paintings aim to communicate a sense of strength, presence, and authenticity, reflecting his belief that a deep understanding of his subject is essential to capturing its true essence.

Influenced by artists such as Charles Russell and George Catlin, Tsoodle has developed a style that balances historical awareness with personal interpretation. His work has been exhibited in numerous venues, including the Heard Museum, the Eiteljorg Museum, and the Wheelwright Museum, among others. Grounded in faith and family, he continues to create work that reflects both dedication to his craft and respect for the subjects he portrays.

Works (19)



Call For the Strong Hearts

Size: 16x40"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Plenty Coup

Size: 30x40"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Counting Coup

Size: 30x48"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Assiniboine

Size: 60 x 72"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Plenty Coup II

Size: 60 x 72"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



He Who Has Many Names and Stands to Win Another

Size: 60 x 60"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



How Many Horses Does He Have

Size: 36 x 72"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Ten Bears

Size: 24 x 48"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Trophies of War

Size: 30x60"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



He Carries Us to Other Worlds

Size: 36x36"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



He Fell Upon the Crow Like Lightning

Size: 60x72"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Elk Tongue Brings Down The Thunder With the Comanche

Size: 60x48"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Yet, Still We Are Here

Size: 60x48"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



White Bear's Song

Size: 60x60"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Quanah Parker

Size: 60x60"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Big Soldier

Size: 36x36"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Brothers of the Sun (Arikara Tribe)

Size: 72x60"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Brothers of the Sun (Mandan Tribe)

Size: 72x60"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas



Until There Were None

Size: 36x72"

Medium: Acrylic on Canvas