

Street Artists Create Mural at Art Wynwood to Address School Shooting

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MIAMI—Street artists Al Diaz, Danny Minnick and Edwin Baker III created a special mural at Art Wynwood in response to the recent school shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. Al Diaz, a New York based artist and co-creator of SAMO© with [Jean-Michel Basquiat](#), flew to Miami to create the piece and pay his respects to the tragedy that occurred on Wednesday February 14, 2018 in Broward County, Florida.

[Danny Minnick](#) is a skateboarder turned painter whose work has been compared to Basquiat's. The characters that appear in his paintings often conjure [Keith Haring](#)'s whimsical style and humor, according to [Maddox Gallery of London](#), who held a solo show of Minnick's art in July 2017.

Al Diaz's SAMO©, graffiti appeared in lower Manhattan from 1977 to 1979, according to [his website](#). Considered a text-oriented street artist, his career spans five decades. Most recently, he's been working with "WET PAINT" and "Service Change Alert" signs used throughout the New York City subway system, according to his bio.

Edwin Baker II is a self-taught painter and sculptor was born and raised in South Florida. He is currently based in LA and Palm Beach.



Edwin Baker, Danny Minnick and Al Diaz at their new mural at Art Wynwood.
Courtesy Art Wynwood.

The main section of the new mural reads:

"SAMO 4

THE ANGRY CHILD FEELING ALL

ALONE

SECRETLY FORGING, A HEART "COLD AS STONE"

CONTEMPLATES VENGEANCE, STARES AT HIS PHONE

LEAVES US 2 CLEAN UP, THE FLESH, BLOOD & BONE."



Mural by Al Diaz, Danny Minnick and Edwin Baker. Courtesy of Art Wynwood.

Art Miami LLC, the producer of [Art Wynwood](#), will donate half of all box office proceeds to victims and their families of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School tragedy, said Nick Korniloff, Founder of Art Wynwood. So far, Resorts World Miami LLC, the property owner of One Herald Plaza where this year's fair is taking place, has pledged a generous donation, as has Eventstar Structures, Spuntino Catering, Platform International LLC, and Accurate Event Group, according to Art Miami.

Donations can be accepted at the official GoFundMe site for the Marjory Stoneman High School which can be found by clicking www.gofundme.com/stonemandouglasvictimsfund. So far, \$1.8 million has been raised toward a goal of \$2.2 million as of February 20, 2018.

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Edwin Baker works on the new mural at Art Wynwood.
Courtesy of Art Wynwood.



Danny Minnick works on the mural at Art Wynwood. Courtesy Art Wynwood.



Al Diaz works on a mural at Art Wynwood. Courtesy Art Wynwood.



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