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It starts with a IINE and ends with design.

Born in 1969 in El Paso, Texas, two-time EMMY award winning artist Sake, began his art career with inspiration from New York City's subway graffiti. In 1982, Sake became one of the first graffiti artists in California. Sake, the last in a long list of nom de plumes, with his stylized lettering and characters inspired hundreds of kids across San Diego County to pick up the spray can as a medium to create art. Sake's reputation as a serious artist grew out of respect for his technical skill, creating his first portrait with spray paint in 1986. In 1991, he won two EMMY awards for his spray paint work for the Fox network. Since then, Sake has also been a featured artist on national and local television and news segments, published in various art magazines both in the US and abroad, contributed to and filmed in documentaries and interviewed and read in a variety of periodicals and works including the book, 'The History of American Graffiti'.

## Experience

- National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, Emmy.
- Winter/Fall campaign, San Diego FOX affiliates XETV, Channel 6. 1991
- The National Organization of Independent Television Producers
- (N.I.T.V.) Indie Award. 1991
- Vogue Magazine Best Street Design (by Sake for Stoopid Clothing). 1993
- I.P. Gallery, Best of Show for "Lock Down." 1997
- Sega, "Graffiti Is Art," National Contest Winner. 2000

## Museum Shows

2011-12

- "Art in Context," San Diego Museum of Art
- "Contents Under Pressure: The Writing on the Wall," San Diego, CA

2007

- "Arte Diseno Modo," Centro Cultural, Tijuana, Mexico

2005

- Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego
- "TNT Thursday," Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego

### **Selected exhibitions**

- 2013-16, "Paint Louis," St Louis, MO
- 2010-12, "Style-A-Thon," San Diego, CA
- 2010-16, "Battle Groundz," Chula Vista, CA
- 2009, "Graffiti Life, The Color of My Soul," San Diego, CA
- 2008, "Rhythm & Skillz," Chula Vista, CA
- 2006, "The Toussaint Academy" San Diego, CA
- 2006, "Over spray" San Diego, CA
- 2006, "Graffiti Saved My life" San Diego, CA
- 2006, "Jeans For Justice" San Diego, CA
- 2005, "Redefining Me" San Diego, CA
- 2005-2006, "Life" San Diego, CA
- 2004, "The Get Down" Mira Mesa, CA
- 2003, "Bustagroove" Escondido performing arts center Escondido, CA
- 2003, Writerz Block Arts Event San Diego, CA 2001
- 2001, "Rockathon" San Diego, CA
- 2001, "Beats and Rhymes" San Diego, CA
- 1998-2000, "Elemental" San Diego, CA
- 1997, "The Point," Bronx, NY
- 1996, "Aerosol Fest," El Paso, TX
- 1993, Street Scene, San Diego, CA
- 1989-1993, Art Walk, San Diego, CA

