

SQUARE ONE

Square One Gallery

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**SAINT LOUIS'S NEWEST CONTEMPORARY ART GALLERY SET TO OPEN IN
CENTRAL WEST END**

Bringing a diverse roster of global and local artists, Square One Gallery opens April 26th with an exhibition from native Missouri artist Sage Barnes

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[April 26th, Saint Louis, MO] Square One Gallery, a contemporary art gallery and latest addition to the historic Central West End, opens its doors to the public with its inaugural exhibition and opening reception for *"Time After Time"*, a solo exhibition by Missouri based artist Sage Barnes. The grand opening and exhibition reception event will take place at Square One Gallery on April 26th from 6-9pm CST.

Founded in 2024 by Saint Louis based artist Ted Collier and curators Tanner Steslow and Max Berman, Square One Gallery strives to showcase contemporary artistic voices while connecting St. Louis to the greater international arts community with a diverse, international roster of exceptional artists. With Collier working over 15 years as a professional artist and Steslow and Berman bringing a decade's worth of experience curating and advising both private and public art collections, the team aims to bring a fresh perspective to not only a knowledgeable collecting experience, but also rewiring the way artists and galleries traditionally interact. At its core, Square One Gallery upholds the idea that without the artist, there would be no 'art'. Rooted in beliefs of transparency and honesty, Square One Gallery works diligently to cultivate long lasting relationships with artists and collectors alike with the mission to preserve the integrity of the artist as a steward of creativity for generations to come, while guiding acquisitions in a fair and open manner.

For the grand opening, Square One Gallery is proud to present a solo exhibition by Kansas City based artist Sage Barnes titled *"Time After Time"* featuring original paintings and sculptures and is Barnes's first time exhibiting in Saint Louis. Sage Barnes (American, b.1995) is a self-described "painter and sometimes other things". His work is characterized by his urban street-art inspired portraits and still-life paintings, combining abstract, realistic, and street art techniques to create original and contemporary works. *"Time After Time"* marks a turning point for Barnes, exhibiting for the first time in the United States his "Blooms" series, depicting budding florals, just in time for Spring in the Central West End.

"There's always this point of reflection where you look back on events or memories and I think that's always important to process and realize where you currently are. The time after the time something has happened. It's like you're always in this final bloom of yourself in a way. Always changing and hopefully it's for the better."

- Sage Barnes

The joint grand opening of Square One Gallery and the opening reception of *"Time After Time"* are open to the public. Adults and children of all ages are encouraged to attend. You can find more information and RSVP to the event on April 26th from 6-9pm CST at www.squareonegallery.com

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