

MAD DOG JONES

Mad Dog Jones is the artist name of Michah Dowbak, a multidisciplinary artist from Thunder Bay, Ontario. Educated in human kinetics, Dowbak's first professional steps were into the music world, co-founding the Toronto-based SIDEWAYS collective, which went on to produce multiple gold and platinum records. Having grown up in a family of artists and poets, MDJ's journey in the arts was a natural progression, with influences from his mother found in his poetic titling and wordplay within the works and from his father, whose stained-glass art informs the line work and signature love of color.

His art career gained momentum through early commission work for Maroon 5 that appeared in the Super Bowl, art for Chromeo, Run the Jewels, and Jabbawockeez, all unfolding to a rising community on social media. After his first gallery show AFTERL-IFE WORLD at Diesel Art Gallery in Shibuya, Tokyo, in fall of 2019, MDJ's fame grew with the success of his Crash + Burn series, a digital art and music collaboration with Deadmau5, the "Replicator" series of self-generating digital art works, Art Basel installations, and headlining at the first major NFT art exhibition at UCCA Center for Contemporary Art in Beijing.

He has recently designed helmets and cars for Lewis Hamilton and the Mercedes F1 Team. Further bridging his digital-based creativity with physical art, his first two paintings showed at Gana Gallery in Seoul, and he is working on a collaboration with ukiyo-e style woodblock print artists at the Adachi Institute.