

Michael Moore

Breaking the Grid

Second Floor Gallery

Jan 4 – March 22, 2025



“I am here to make you think... I am not here to make pretty pictures.”

– Mark Rothko

Artist Statement:

The first time I saw a Rothko Painting I was mesmerized by the simplicity, and yet the power and depth of feeling that his painting evoked. His art is a continual influence on my artistic practice.

My background as a history major / art minor and by continued interest of early civilizations is a major influence in my artwork. I present an interpretation of this progression of time through the entropy of these civilizations.

I combine materials that give some of my paintings a sculptural aspect. I use regular acrylic, metal infused acrylics, and reactive agents in some of my work to achieve the desired effects.

Bio:

Mike Moore attended Mankato State College in the 1960s, graduating with a degree in History and a minor in Art.

Spending some time in Colorado he moved back to Iowa where he managed a framing and fine art store in Des Moines. Later Mike returned to his hometown of Fort Dodge where he had lived for the past 40 plus years. After retiring from sales of home audio equipment he resumed his passion for painting. Mike has exhibited work since 2018 at numerous galleries in Iowa.