

#### YARD, Patryk Les

I know that I know nothing. This is my conclusion. For many it could sound bizarre, but for me it is the source of truth and humanity. After last year, which was a very important year for me, I have reached many goals and it is time for more. Before I was blocked by the anxiety of doing something. Deep inside I knew thing will turn on the right tracks. Because I always had the feeling I am waiting for that. And it happened.

Simple thank you to Jana Napoli on the Finnisage of the Floodwall exhibition was the first step I did. Something changed inside me. Now I am 24 years old and the next steps on social issue inputs were important instruments for my personal growth. I think I reached more through that last year than ever before. I found the definition. Life is a story. Life in inself is a form of creation.

I get through giving. It was intention for the YARD idea. YARD was the first social issue input to create interaction with local community of Wroclaw's poorest district – Nadodrze. Together with Kamil Tobiasz and Basia Browarnik we designed logo and wrote the concept for YARD's conception. YARD happened after the mural painting with kids on the back wall of Edith Stein House with Jana Napoli, Logan Napoli, Basia Browarnik, and Turron Patterson, and Madonia Graves; two YaYa artists from New Orleans, Louisiana. We were helping those kids create their first mural.

Now is one year later. So much has happened in my life: Impuls workshops, Operacja Nadodrze... and there are still unknown islands on the horizon. I wrote my Manifesto. My BA Diploma at the Art Academy called "YARD's Color" is correlated with the idea of social issue involvement.













### The Concept Behind the Social Project

# **YARD**

"Never an Eye won't see the Sun if it hasn't been sunny.
And Soul won't see beauty if it hasn't been beautiful."

Plotinus

YARD is a social project dedicated to young people and created by young people. Through our murals we create, YARD's purpose is to show an alternative way for spending free time and for the development of kids artistic abilities. Through their active participation in their neighborhood they can create local community and would have an influence on the views of the community.

YARD has a definite mission and particular goals which are to create social bonds in local communities through the participation of the young people in the community. YARD's purpose it to encourage young people's conscious development of such values like: responsibility, self-development and active influence in creating their local environment. It leads to create positive example of a personality they can be in the future. By doing the Project, taking part in and having influence on the whole view they become more self-confident. It would create a solid foundation to build valuable social sommunity which by active attitude can influence and inspire the whole city.

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### Koncept projektu społecznościowego

## "Yard"

"Nigdy nie ujrzy słońca oko, które nie stało się słoneczne. I żadna dusza nie widzi piękna, jeśli sama nie stała się piękna" **Plotyn** 

"Yard" to projekt społecznościowy tworzony przez młodych dla młodych. Pokazujemy alternatywną drogę spędzania czasu wolnego i rozwijania wrażliwości artystycznej poprzez takie formy kreacji jak murale. Młodzi ludzie dzięki aktywnej postawie mogą kształtować społeczność lokalną i mają wpływ na jej obraz.

"Yard" ma sprecyzowaną misję oraz kierunkowe cele, które polegać mają na budowaniu więzi w społeczności lokalnej z udziałem młodych ludzi. Ukierunkowane są na świadomy rozwój u młodzieży takich wartości jak: odpowiedzialność, rozwój osobowości, pozytywny i aktywny wpływ na otoczenie. Prowadzi to do kreowania pozytywnych wzorców osobowości, którymi sami mogą się stać w przyszłości. Budowanie poczucia wartości jest możliwe poprzez określenie i wpływ na obraz realizacji Projektu. Będzie to budować podwaliny zdrowej społeczności lokalnej, która dzięki aktywnej postawie określa i daje przykład rozwoju dla całego miasta.

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