

SQUARE ONE

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**Artist Andrew Faris brings his intuitive, fluid paintings to Square One Gallery in his exhibition
“Naturally” in St. Louis, MO.**

His latest body of works focus on bold geometrics, and soft colorfields that seem to emerge organically from the canvas.

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Square One Gallery is proud to present “Naturally” a solo exhibition by painter Andrew Faris. The exhibition will be on view from August 8th - September 5th at Square One Gallery in St. Louis, Missouri. The opening reception event will be held Friday, August 8th from 6-9pm CST.

Andrew Faris (b. 1978, Akron, OH) is an artist based in the Teton Mountains of Wyoming. Influenced by his design background he aims for simplicity and impact through the bold use of color and composition, while embracing the spontaneity of water and paint on canvas. He hopes to elicit an emotional response while teasing the formal with flourishes and flairs of gesture and calling on the great power of abstraction to recollect and recall, questioning what it means to combine, be it colors, forms or concepts.

In *Naturally*, Andrew Faris invites viewers into a world where pigment flows like water and form emerges not through force but through intuition. Each painting becomes a moment suspended, an organic convergence of bold geometry, diffusion, and raw materiality. Faris balances the control of design with the unpredictability of his medium, creating compositions that feel both deliberate and inevitable. The interplay of sharp-edged color fields and soft, blooming gestures creates an unfolding presence, as if nature itself had a hand in the making. By leaving parts of the canvas unprimed and exposed, he draws attention to texture and surface, grounding the ethereal with the tactile.

Rooted in the landscape of Wyoming and informed by his background in visual communication, Faris approaches abstraction as an almost visual empathy, with an effort to capture the poetry of becoming. His works harbor a quiet tension, where vivid hues collide and dissolve. In this latest exhibition, Faris is not merely presenting finished works, but offering visual evidence of a process and the moment when material meets motion, when color becomes feeling, and when something seemingly simple reveals complexity. *Naturally* is a meditation on presence, a record of the artist's hand, and a celebration of the instinctive elegance found in the unforced.

Andrew received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degrees in 2003 from the College of Communication and Information at Kent State University in Kent, OH where he studied visual communication design and fine art. Andrew co-founded Recess, a design studio in Venice, CA whose clients included Fortune 500 companies prior to focusing full-time on painting.

Square One Gallery is a contemporary art gallery located in the historic Central West End of St. Louis, Missouri. Established in 2024, Square One Gallery strives to showcase artistic voices while connecting St. Louis to the greater international arts community with a diverse, global roster of exceptional artists. Our mission is to preserve the integrity of the artist as a steward of creativity for generations to come, while offering a knowledgeable collecting experience to guide acquisitions in a fair and open manner. With a robust exhibition program, collaborations, and cultural projects, we are committed to ensuring artists continue to lend their vital talents to inspire and enrich the world.