

Artist: Scott Chase

Scott Chase was born in San Francisco, but raised in the Pacific Northwest. He is new to painting, but has been drawing his whole life.

Inspired by pop culture, film and history, Scott's black and white portraits create dramatic contrasts from familiar iconic subjects. Scott's free-hand interpretations of photos and images capture a "likeness" in positive/negative space, while creating a painterly high contrast. His "subjects" are his interests, an honest and down-to-earth realism.

He began painting after he was laid off from his factory job in a chemical plant earlier this year. Within a few months, Scott's passion for art and painting created his first body of work.

While Scott paints he talks to his muse, a friendly and highly critical 90 lb pit bull named "Pete", who sits with him while he works.

Scott loves to draw, and has worked on national parks as a journeyman stone mason. He currently lives and works in Portland, Oregon.

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