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Murals part of agency's effort to create more inviting spaces in its system

San Diego – San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) passengers in La Mesa can now enjoy two new murals at the city's Grossmont Transit Center along the Green Line and Orange Line Trolleys. Today, MTS unveiled two new works by local muralist and graffiti artist Maxx Moses. The Grossmont murals are part of a larger effort by MTS to provide a better, more inviting experience for passengers using the transit system.

"These murals are a way to represent our community and improve our rider's comfort while waiting for their next ride," said Patricia Dillard, MTS Board Member and City of La Mesa Vice Mayor. "Creating more inviting spaces along our system is a small way in which MTS is delivering better transit to everyone today."

In the efforts to provide a more inviting experience on the transit system, MTS approached international muralist Maxx Moses for a new mural installation; he proposed two new works for the Grossmont Transit Center.

"I hope that the artwork brings a sense of liveliness; I hope that it brings a sense of curiosity," said Maxx Moses. "I want the artwork, of course, to convey this liveliness, but connection to communities as well, where people can do some exploration. It's not just a visual impact, but I wanted to create an economic impact as well – that people support these communities and use the Trolley to go and visit them."

The first mural, located on the bus side of the transit center, is titled "Succession." This mural is about harmony, inner peace and order. Maxx says he was inspired by "a simplicity in life within the quiet spaces between our hearts and minds when we take the time to listen."

The second mural, located on the train side of the transit center, is titled "Float On." The complexities of life's experiences inspired Maxx to create this work that represents grace, stillness and serenity.

Since 2022, MTS has partnered with Maxx Moses on the highly successful "Color the Corridor" beautification project. The community artist previously completed works of art on Massachusetts Avenue, 62nd Street, Euclid Avenue, and 47th Street Trolley stations.

MTS also announced three more murals in the works with other artists along the UC San Diego Blue Line at E Street Transit Center, to be completed December 2024, and at Beyer Blvd. Trolley Station, to be completed in 2026.

About MTS

The Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) operates 92 bus routes and three Trolley lines in 10 cities and unincorporated areas of San Diego. MTS is a leader in advancing initiatives to create a greener, cleaner and better-connected transit system in San Diego. Each weekday more than 250,000 passenger trips are taken throughout the MTS system taking people to work, school, health appointments and other essential trips. In FY 2023, MTS served more than 68 million riders. For service schedule updates, news, alerts and more information on how you can use public transportation, go to www.sdmts.com.

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