

# Michael K. Julian - Color Dynamics Structures

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I confuse easily. It's not a good thing.

My perception of the world feels scrambled.

I have a hard time keeping track of everything going on around me.

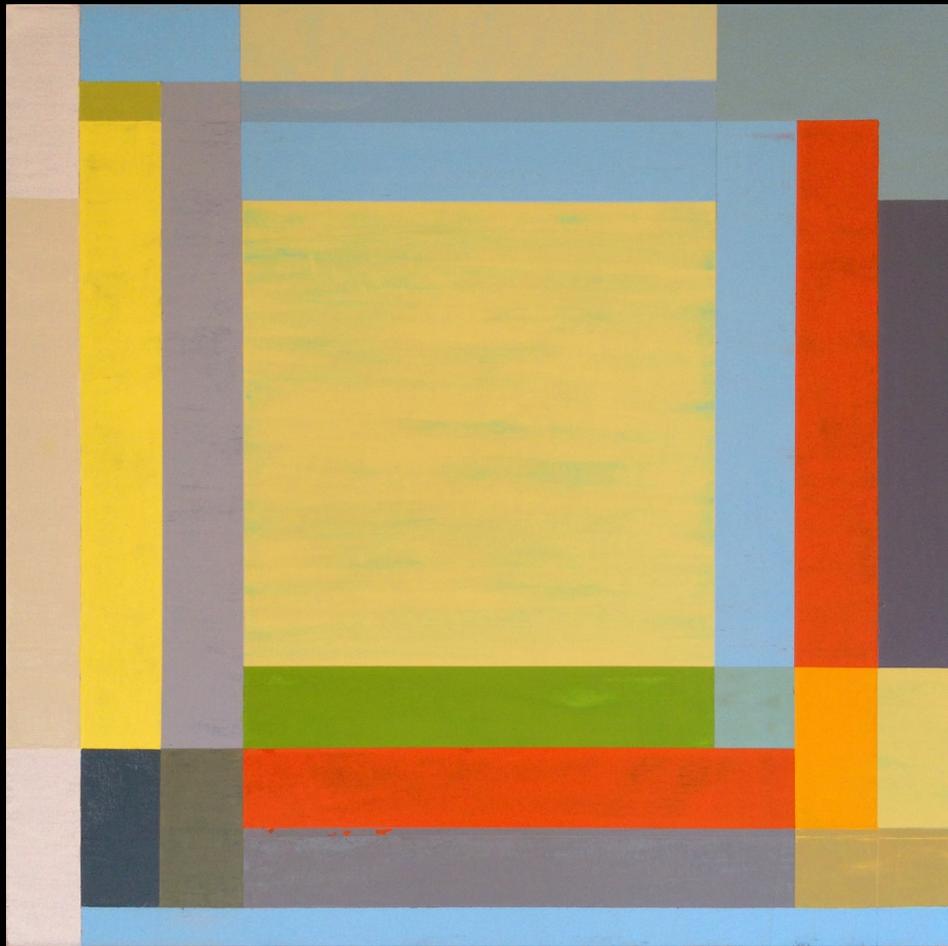
Everything blurs together and disappears.

Memories coalesce and fade.

My artwork is an attempt at clarity, immutability, the manufacture of a cohesive document, clear and concise proof of having been here. They are meditative, supportive, affirmation. While considered a form of non-objective abstraction, they feel as real to me as anything else I can remember from my life. They are as real as the people drifting in and out, as real as the places I've passed through and the multitude of events I have experienced. Without making them, my existence would be compromised.

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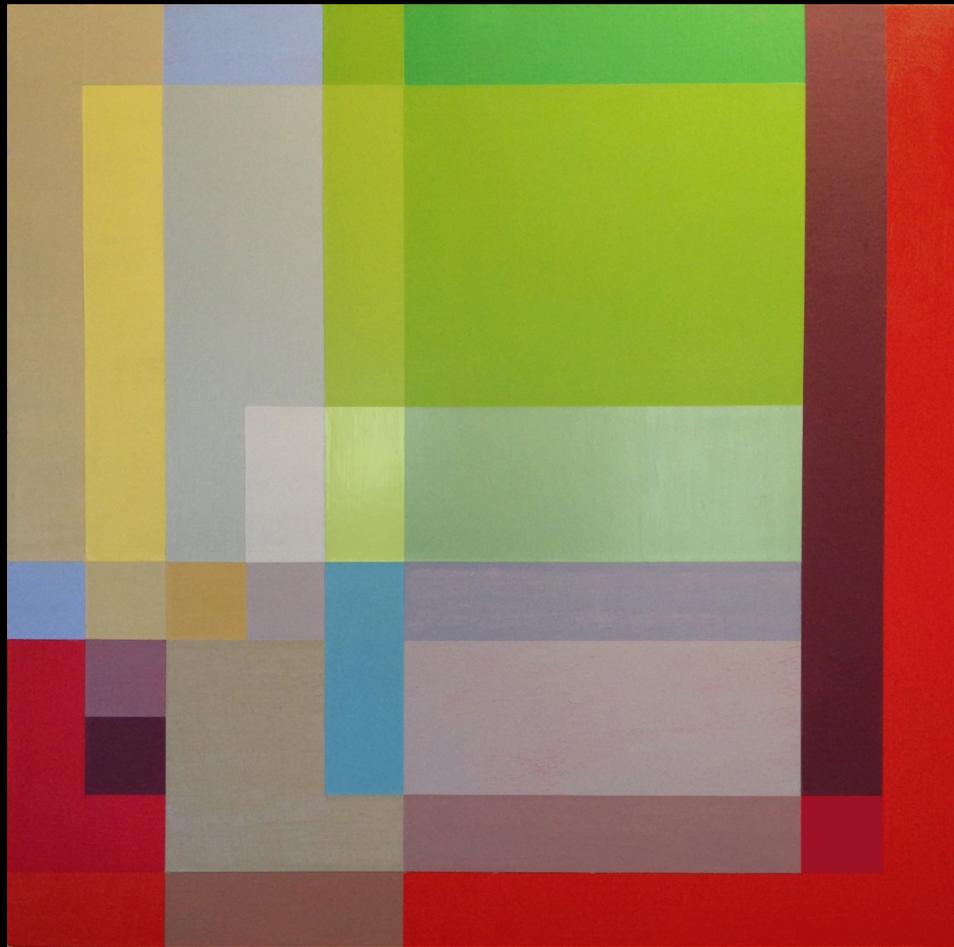
Color Dynamics Structure no. 1  
oil on canvas, 24"x 24", January 2019



# Color Dynamics Structure no. 2

oil on canvas, 24"x 24"

May 2019

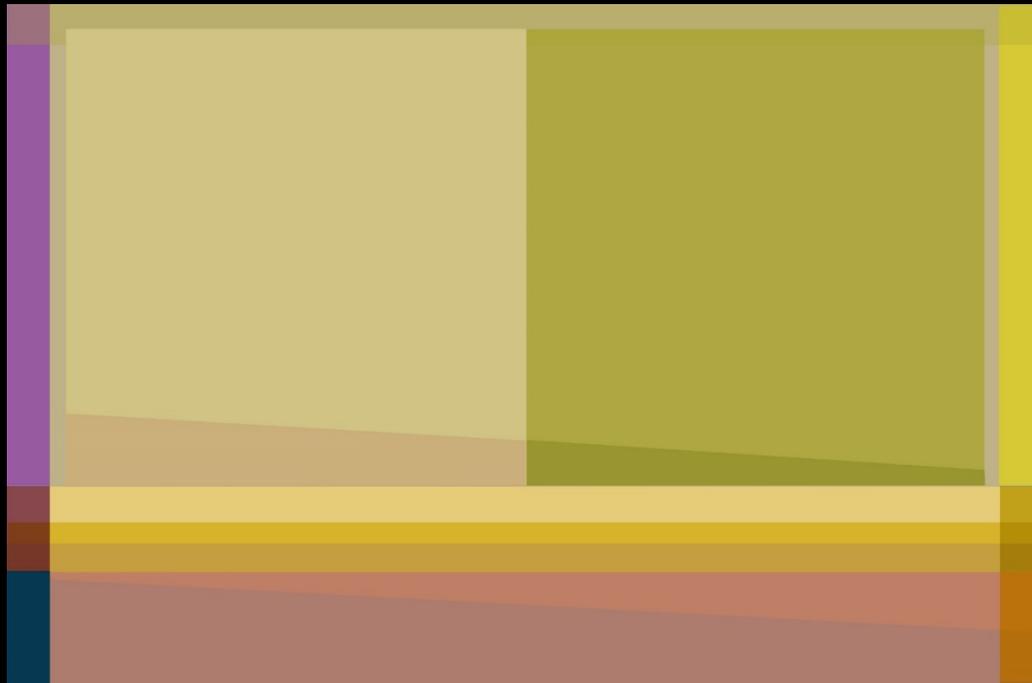


Color Dynamics Structure no. 3  
oil on canvas, 30"x 24", July 2019

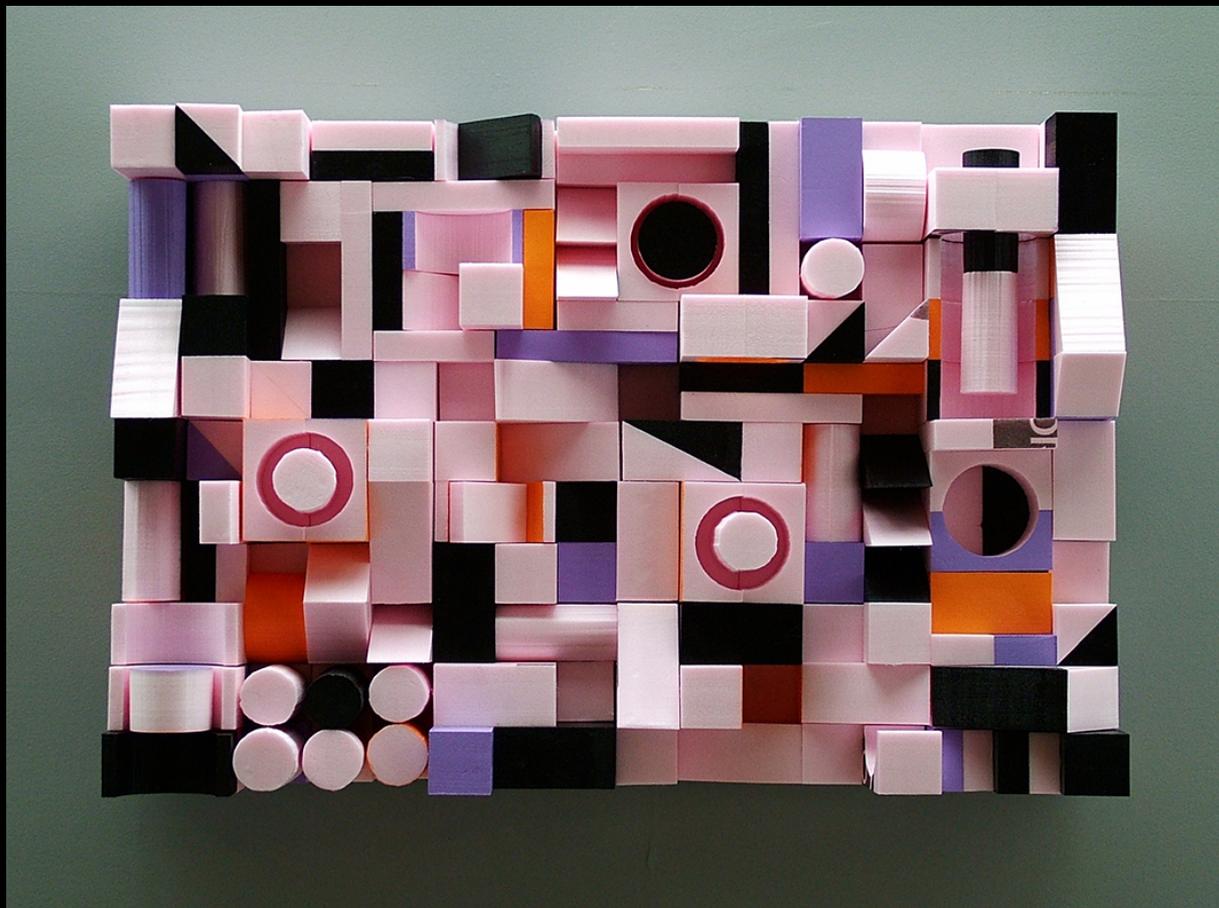


# Color Dynamics Structure No. 5

oil on canvas, 24"x 36", October 2019

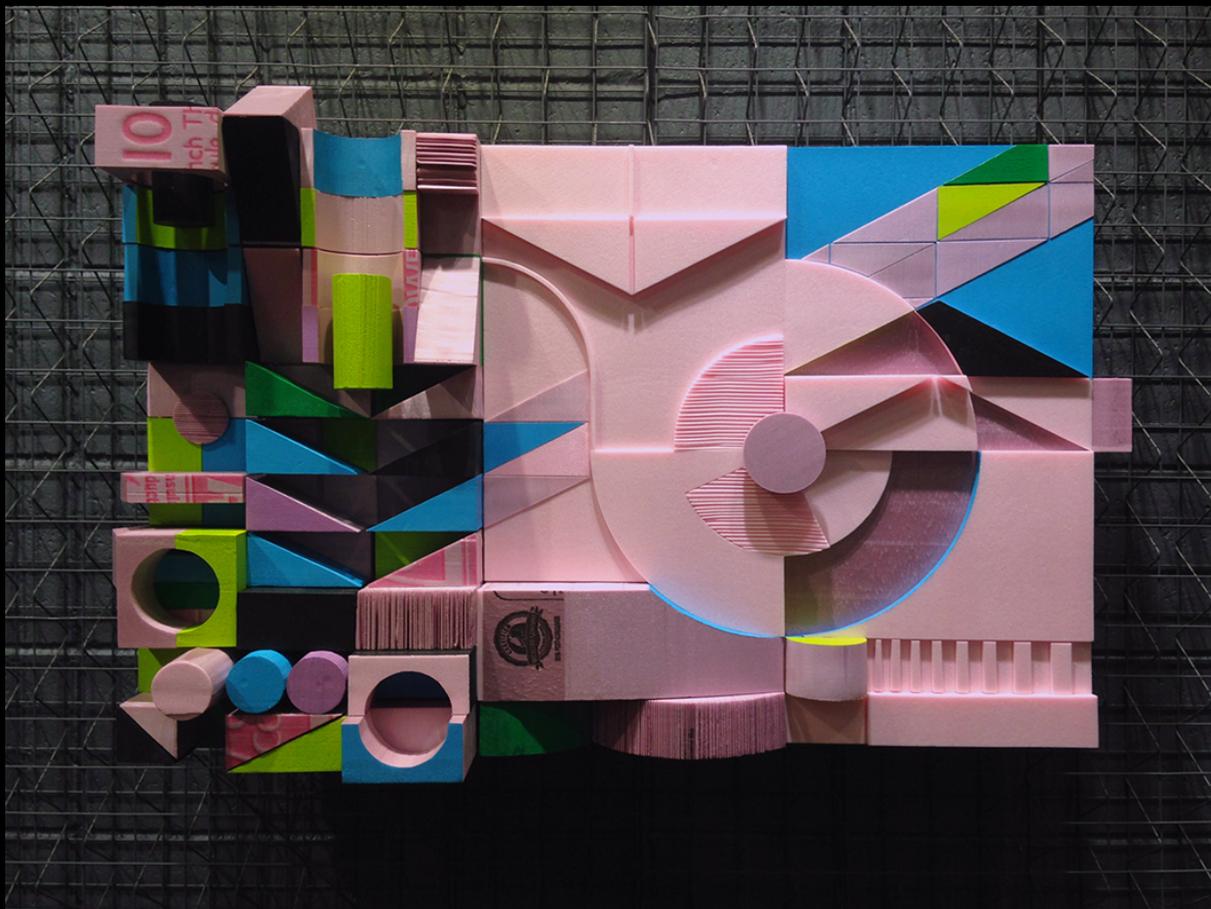


Color Composition Construction No.3B  
insulation foamboard and acrylic paint, 22"x 32"x 5"



# Color Composition Construction No.5

acrylic and insulation foamboard, 22"x 34"x 7"



## BIOGRAPHY

Michael K. Julian is the new Associate Professor of Art & Design for UW-Milwaukee's College of General Studies at Waukesha. He spent the previous 13 years as a full-time instructor and faculty in the Department of Art at UW-Rock County. He has also been a lecturer in Art & Design for the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee, Waukesha County Technical College (WI), and UW - Washington County.

He received a MFA in Painting from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee in 2004, a MA in Painting from Minnesota State University - Mankato in 2000, and his BFA at the School of Design at Iowa State University - Ames in 1994.

His artwork has been exhibited and collected in Chicago, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, NYC, and Washington D.C. and has received numerous awards. In 2005 he was a recipient of the Mary L. Nohl Fellowship for Emerging Artists.

Michael K. Julian grew up in the northern Chicago suburb of Libertyville, Illinois, the fifth of six children in a family of engineers. He currently resides in Shorewood, Wisconsin with his wife, Jill, and son, Robin. If he isn't working or making art, there is a good chance he is running around on a tennis court somewhere.

His love of pattern and order developed as a counterpoint to his continuous state of confusion in a seemingly indifferent world.