

## **OP ART ON DISPLAY TO OPEN ON MAY 13 CONNECTS WITH KINETIC ART IN BOYNTON**

**BOYNTON BEACH, FL** --- A new Art in Public Places “Op Art” exhibit will open May 13 in the City’s Library, featuring Stanford Slutsky’s Kinetic and Optical artwork. Kinetic Art refers to art that moves, or that gives the sensation of movement, through its optical effects. As viewers enjoy and move around the art, the art work’s light, colors and surfaces change dramatically. Optical art is a method of painting that provides an interaction between illusion and picture plane, between understanding and seeing. Op art works are abstract. When viewed, the impression of movement, hidden images, flashing, vibration, patterns, or alternatively, of swelling or warping.

Slutsky’s optical art is composed of precisely cut wooden geometric shapes all fitting together to give the illusion of depth and distance. Slutsky works are meticulously created by cutting wood with table saws and jig-saws, separating them into pieces with spacers and fitting them perfectly with their counterparts on a canvas or in a frame. Slutsky uses magnets to piece together many of his works, making these removable, though not noticeable at first, they become an interesting surprise to the viewer. He also created painted acrylics pieces on wrapped canvas that have become popular among collectors.

Inspired by Victor Vasarely, Slutsky achieves his effects by juxtaposing hard-edged color patterns that disrupt the normal process of vision. Some shapes of color seem to advance and then recede; others appear to pulsate in waves. Slutsky painstaking, semi-scientific approach to painting and mixed media constructions are based on the manipulation of optical devices and depend on subtle color gradations, systematic chromatic harmonic lines and shapes.

All pieces created by Slutsky are one-of-a-kind and for sale with commissions benefitting the Art in Public Places program and Friends of the Library. The Stanford Slutsky “Op Art” exhibit begins May 13 and continues through December 5. Art in Public Places and the City Library will host a meet the artist reception Saturday, June 8, 2- 4 pm. Public is welcome and encouraged to attend. The City Library is located at 208 South Seacrest Boulevard, Boynton Beach.

For more information, contact Debby Coles-Dobay, City of Boynton Beach Public Art Administrator, at [561-742-6026](tel:561-742-6026). Visit [www.facebook.com/BoyntonBeachArtInPublicPlaces](https://www.facebook.com/BoyntonBeachArtInPublicPlaces) or

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