

# CONVERSATIONS NOT HAD

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Dear Reader (2019-04-01)

As I was leaving for last night's drive, April asked me if anyone ever talked to me, while I was out and about.

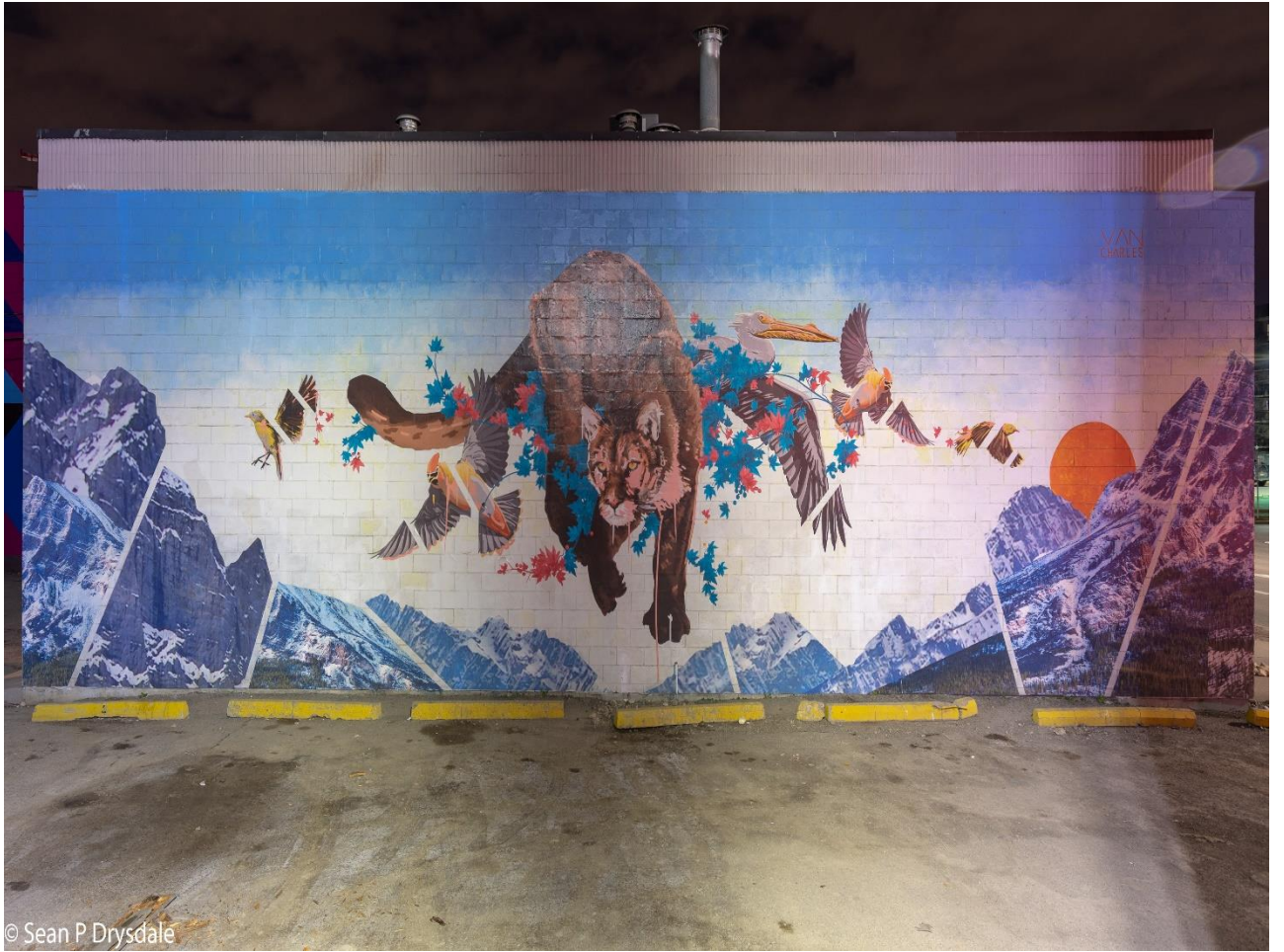
At 14<sup>th</sup> street and 11<sup>th</sup> SW (no.11), there were a couple of people who were curious from a far. They said nothing and never left the sidewalk. This photo was a return to a site that Keith and I had first visited last year. Speaking of Keith, I should give credit where credit is due and thank him for planting the mural project seed.

At 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. and 1<sup>st</sup> St. SW (no. 12), an older Chinese man, who looked as if he could have been drunk teetered along the sidewalk behind me and to my left. Just before he vanished out of my view, I saw him stop double back a step, look longer at me, and then decide against asking me a question. He too did not leave the sidewalk.

At 9<sup>th</sup> Ave. and 12<sup>th</sup> St. SE (no. 13), a young man who looked as if he might live in the gray zone, crossed the parking lot to speak with me. He said he was interested in a specialized night photography camera. I showed him the photo I had just captured on my tripod mounted camera, and told him that my camera was some old thing. I think he was looking for some sort of night vision camera a la pick a name of any war / thriller movie. We exchanged "enjoy your nights" and he vanished back into the gray.

On 9<sup>th</sup> Ave near the Hose and Hound I was trying for a capture of a building wrapped in white. A passenger in a shiny pick-up truck opened his window and gave me the finger. Even though I was stationary, and he was speeding, obviously, my presence merited a response. How I was a threat or disturbing his space I will never know.

So, I began the evening with 3 new photos in mind for The Mural Project. Objective met. Oh, and I found another mural, for which in the interests of safety, I may need a wing person.







Cheers, Sean

## 2 Replies to “Conversations Not Had”

1. **keith** says:

2019-04-01 at 17:26 Edit

They turned out very well! Things like these should be aligned to the frame with no cars, and I struggle with that. Happy to be your wingperson if we can work out the timing.

1. **spd\_wp\_admin** says:

2019-04-01 at 17:52 Edit

Thank you for visiting and commenting. fyi Mural numbers 11 and 12 were taken from the truck platform. That then raises the centre of the photograph so I don't have to tilt the camera. The other option is a tilt shift lens, and that is just not on the horizon at the moment (Nikkor PC-E 24mm f3.5D \$2,779.00 at The Camera Store; The 19mm is \$4,300)