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Visual artist Andrew Schoultz dominoes into Downtown Santa Monica with first major public art sculpture

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Presenting the building blocks of a rainbow. Los Angeles-based artist Andrew Schoultz has layered his vibrant visual systems style in Downtown Santa Monica's Triangle Square.

Installed this May, the outdoor sculpture titled "Tipping Point Plaza" is Schoultz's first major public art sculpture and enlists repeating monochromatic patterned pillars to comprise one traveling geometric gradient. The addition is the latest installment for DTSM, Inc. and the City of Santa Monica Art Commission's public art initiative ROAM Santa Monica, created to activate the public realm and expand cultural offerings in Downtown Santa Monica. Schoultz's art is featured at institutions across the globe including the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and the Los Angeles Contemporary Art Museum.

"Tipping Point Plaza" is an optical domino effect comprised of a 55' ft. linear series of six painted wood-based blocks, each 10' x 4' x 4' and coated with clear white glitter for added shimmer. Onlookers are invited to experience Schoultz's sculpture from different angles and muse on the struggles that lie between visual clarity and complex truth. "Tipping Point Plaza" will cascade indefinitely at Triangle Square.

A graduate of the Academy of Art University, San Francisco, multimedia artist Schoultz has held solo exhibitions in museums and galleries throughout the United States and Europe. His public murals are visible on walls in Manila, Philippines, and Jogjakarta, Indonesia, as well as on skate parks, an airplane, and a Tesla. Schoultz's work is held in the collections of numerous institutions, including the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, Los Angeles Contemporary Art Museum, the Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, and the Honolulu Art Museum. His latest skatepark redesign took place in Las Vegas, where he painted the Clark County Winchester Cultural Center Skate Park in partnership with Clark County and the Marjorie Barrick Museum of Art.

Triangle Square is located on the Colorado Esplanade and Third Street, adjacent to the Sears building and Santa Monica Place.