



The Forties



Times Square Cow

(bottom right and detail, top)

Artist: Tom Christopher Patron: HIP Health Plan of New York

Location: Penn Station

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Tom Christopher schlepped his cow to Times Square and spent a day painting at the foot of Father Duffy's statue. So what type of reaction did he get? "Surprisingly little," Christopher said. "New Yorkers aren't fazed by a guy painting a cow in Times Square."

Christopher's specialty is painting busy scenes of New York City street life (you can see a 250-foot mural he painted at Roseland, a club on 52nd Street). His cow has the same energy as his canvases. Cabs scream up either side of the cow, and crowding the sidewalks are grifters, con men, theatrical agents, and bike messengers—"all the people you usually see in Times Square."

