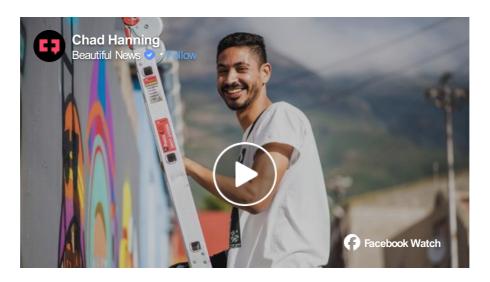


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The hiss of a spray can adds to the sound of Woodstock's bustle. Street artist Chad Hanning is painting an animated visual on a once-bland wall. The cartoon figures he creates depict a multitude of feelings and offer commentary on South African politics. Hanning's creative pursuit is a brave one. In 2010, the City of Cape Town passed a bylaw declaring the presence of graffiti anywhere within its formal jurisdiction a public nuisance. All signs of this expressive act were painted over. But Hanning believes these uniform surroundings don't represent our vivid rainbow nation. Creating under the name Bushywopp, he's determined to solidify the importance of street art.

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