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Holding out for a hero...

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A HERO made a surprise trip to The Fishmarket this week - and left with his own piece of artwork.

Greg Grunberg, who plays mind-reader Matt Parkman in US hit series Heroes, was in town for a show convention held at the Park Inn Hotel.

On Saturday the star stumbled across the work of spray artist and paper cutter Aasen Stephenson.

He was so overwhelmed by Aasen's work he asked him to make a canvas of his children to take back to the States.

Aasen specialises in spraying people's photos onto canvas and has now developed his skills into paper cuts known as 'Deathcuts.'

He said: "On Saturday we noticed a few of the Heroes cast wandering around The Fishmarket."

"They had been staying at a hotel and had stumbled across the gallery."

"Greg Grunberg, who plays former policeman Matt Parkman in Heroes, came into the Deathshop and wanted his own custom canvas doing to take back home."

"That night I painted a set of three canvases of his kids, and also as a surprise I cut him one of my new paper cuttings - a hand cut heart with his wife's name along

with the kids - just to see what he thought. He loved it."

Since the visit Aasen has received an email from the star.

Mr Grunberg also recorded the visit for posterity on his Twitter page, writing: 'Another incredible artist Aasen Stephenson. Northampton UK at The Fishmarket - DeathHouse!'

Aasen added: "It was funny as when he left, I walked home and with the money he paid me I brought a Chinese for everyone at my house."

"When I got in 'Hollowman' was on TV, which he is in."

"So we all sat and watched while eating dinner he had paid for, kind of funny."

"Greg loved The Fishmarket, he said it was awesome."

"He bought some of Bill Pollard's amazing bike skulls and posted photos on his Twitter page."

"It's nice that these big American stars enjoyed The Fishmarket, enjoyed the cafe, bought some local art and have gone back home and spread the word."

"The place seemed to have made a good impression on him."

"I told Greg it was under threat a month ago. He was shocked and asked why?"

■ To view Aasen's work visit: http://www.myspace.com/deathhouse_design



ART: Greg Grunberg in Aasen's shop

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