

**Laura Santori**  
**Artist Profile**  
**2021**

1. **Major and minor, graduation year:** Neuroscience & Studio Art Majors, Class of 2021
2. **What kind of media you work in:** Oil paint, acrylic paint, Procreate on iPad Pro
3. **Why do you make art:** I enjoy getting lost in my own imagination, I find art to be my way of processing emotions and putting something positive back into the world.
4. **The artists who you find most influential and why:** I find the works of Thomas Cole to be influential, particularly pieces like The Oxbow and The Voyage of Life: Youth. I also enjoy contemporary oil painters like Alonsa Guevara and Martin Wittfoth and their unique perspectives on a very traditional medium.
5. **Briefly describe a recent art-related “Aha!” moment:** When I started working on larger pieces, I really experienced how physical the process of building and stretching your own canvases are.

