

Artist Statement:

My work investigates the importance of color and texture in nature and how those elements can influence the perceived emotions in acrylic on canvas paintings. I started painting flowers as this is something that I knew I enjoyed drawing in the past. For this series of four paintings, I explored how texture and color can be used to create a realistic representation of the flowers which I painted from life. The black background used for these paintings serves to emphasize the color and beauty of the flowers and create a sense of serenity and aloneness. From there, I moved on to a series of six landscape paintings in which I further explored the importance of texture in creating a realistic depiction of nature, as well as how exaggerated color can be used to enhance each image. This was done in order to capture the natural beauty and emotions that I saw in each subject.

- Sophie Laye



Lilies

24 x 48

Acrylic on canvas



Poppy

16 x 18

Acrylic on canvas



Sunflower

8 x 10

Acrylic on canvas



Orchids

12 x 24

Acrylic on canvas



Beach

16 x 18

Acrylic on canvas



Waterfall

16 x 18

Acrylic on canvas



Field and Mountains

24 x 36

Acrylic on canvas



Fall Forest

18 x 16

Acrylic on canvas



France

8 x 10

Acrylic on canvas



Sunflower Field

8 x 10

Acrylic on canvas