

## PATRICK OKRASINSKI



[PatrickOkrasinski.com](http://PatrickOkrasinski.com)

@patrickokra

Patrick Okrasinski was born in New York City in 1996. In the fall of 2016, he found his way to the US branch of the Florence Academy of Art in Jersey City. There he was able to study at the highest levels of figurative painting, under the tutelage of Jordan Sokol, Amaya Gurpide, Stephen Bauman, Cornelia Hernes, and Edmond Rochat. As a student he won numerous prizes, including the ARC Scholarship Competition.

After graduating, he spent three months as Artist in Residence with the Claude Monet Foundation in Giverny, painting in Monet's garden and the surrounding French countryside. In 2020 he was awarded the prestigious Donald Journey Travelling Fellowship Grant for the purpose of traveling and painting the great historic and cultural centers of Europe. In light of the pandemic, this adventure was postponed, and he instead turned to painting the local landscape of the Northeast, and winning multiple awards in national juried shows.

In 2021, he was awarded the Hudson River Fellowship at Wethersfield, a collaborative fellowship that brings together classically trained artists to study and paint nature for three weeks. He will finally soon be traveling Europe in use of the Donald Journey Travelling Fellowship.