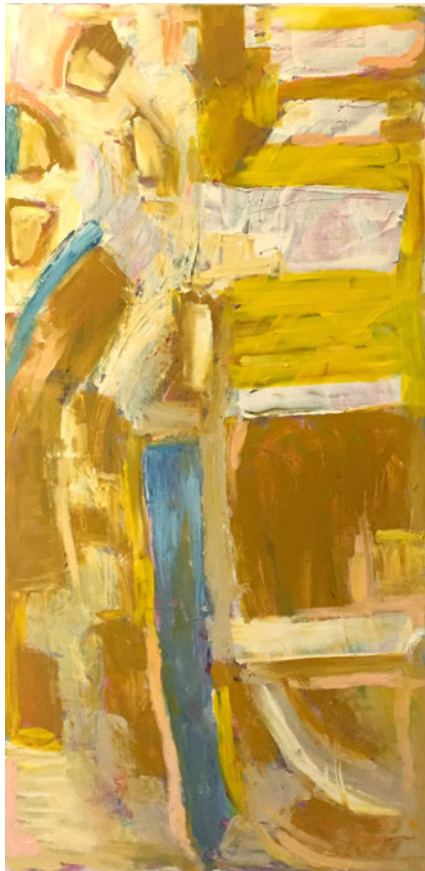


# Sara Cook

Sara Cook is an artist from Bucks County, Pennsylvania. After living in Philadelphia for two and a half years, Sara recently moved to Phoenix, Arizona in early 2017. She earned a BA from the University of Delaware and has been focusing on oil painting since taking Advanced Fine Art at Princeton Day School.

Sara has hung pieces at cafés and restaurants throughout the Philadelphia area and was selected to participate in the 2016 Artists of Yardley juried show in Bucks County, PA. In 2017, Sara has done two Raw Artists shows and one Conception Art show. Her paintings are hung in many homes from the Delaware Valley to the Phoenix Metropolitan Area.

Sara's abstract paintings are full of color and movement in an effort to evoke a positive feeling by the viewer. "I



*want people to see my paintings and find something interesting in them. I want the colors to give people positive feelings and for the gestures and movement to be thought provoking. My paintings are often layers of past paintings that I couldn't quite bring myself to like or be satisfied with. These layers of painting after painting eventually cumulate into something I am pleased with. I like the history of this push/ pull and early mornings/late nights on the canvas. The painting is a product of laying awake and turning the lights on and off to check how it strikes me at first glance over and over."*

Recently, Sara has been creating and selling greeting cards with bold text over her abstract oil paintings. She wants art to be affordable and easily accessible, greeting cards are a small and tactical way of achieving this. Plus, they're fun, as she puts it, "send someone a card, make their day". She plans to

continue to evolve her painting style and to also expand with more paper products. Sara works out of her Phoenix apartment with her Dachshund/Collie mixed puppy, Louis.

