

# 2020 Scholarship Awards



**EMILY CAIN**

**Architecture**

**Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute**

**\$2650**

Emily Cain is a fourth-year student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in a five-year architecture program. She is a prior Arts Advocates/Fine Arts Society scholarship recipient. Emily impressed us with her submitted design, her work ethic and her focus. Her ultimate goal is to incorporate elements of sustainability into architectural design on a larger urban scale as a means to eliminate negative environmental impact. Emily's passion for design stems from her love of nature and concern for the fragility of the Earth's ecosystem.

View Emily's work at: [https://www.dropbox.com/s/pqjg19p49no9zo6/Cain\\_Emily\\_Scholarship%20Portfolio.pdf?dl=](https://www.dropbox.com/s/pqjg19p49no9zo6/Cain_Emily_Scholarship%20Portfolio.pdf?dl=)

**ANGELINA COTTO**

**Cinematography**

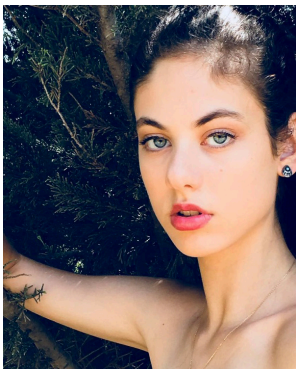
**Savannah College of Art and Design**

**\$2650**

Angelina Cotto is a 2020 graduate of Lakewood Ranch High School with an overall GPA of 3.8. She has applied to attend Savannah College of Art and Design, where she spent the last three summers studying film design. This experience convinced Angelina to major in film in college, in pursuit of a career as a cinematographer. Projects Angelina submitted to Arts Advocates reflect her ability to create a multimedia approach to the arts in areas such as still photography and poetry as well as film making. Angelina aspires to become a cinematographer and to tell a story through creative, imaginative visuals.

View Angelina's short film at:

[https://vimeo.com/371042111?utm\\_source=email&utm\\_medium=vimeo-cliptranscode-201504&utm\\_campaign=29220](https://vimeo.com/371042111?utm_source=email&utm_medium=vimeo-cliptranscode-201504&utm_campaign=29220)



**THALEIA DASBERG**

**Interdisciplinary Artist**

**Barnard College**

**\$3000**

Thaleia Dasberg is a 2020 graduate of Booker High School who will attend Barnard College in the fall. While maintaining a cumulative 4.8 GPA and completing her senior year, she also was a full time Trainee (the highest level offered) at the Margaret Barbieri Conservatory, the pre-professional education program of The Sarasota Ballet. To quote Kate Honea, Principal Dancer and Assistant Ballet Mistress, "she wasn't born with all the natural abilities and gifts of a dancer, but (she) worked harder than her peers and classmates to achieve perfection." Thaleia's goal is

to become an interdisciplinary artist who weaves together acting, dance, and creative writing.

View Thaleia's work at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCK2oBY-Ke0T4Xb3I31zDNw>



**DANNY BÓ DELONGAIG**  
**Performing Arts**  
**Baldwin Wallace University**  
**\$2000**

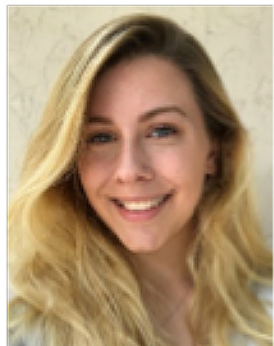
Danny is a 2020 graduate of Booker High School with a 4.4 GPA. In the opinion of his teachers, he is an exceptional talent whose performances are larger than life. He is the only high school student ever selected as an intern at the Junior Theater Festival, where he served as guide to Sir Cameron McIntosh and Cynthia Erivo, among others. He has played lead and feature roles at school in which “he is always a leader, inspiring his peers and faculty with his devotion and demeanor.”

Enjoy Danny's work at: <https://youtu.be/41iGKXq4Duc>

**Pablo Gonzalez**  
**Communication Design**  
**Parsons School of Design - The New School**  
**\$2650**

Pablo Gonzalez is a repeat Arts Advocates/Fine Arts Society scholarship recipient, having been selected in 2019. He attended Parsons School of Design - The New School in NYC this past year, majoring in Communication Design, where his first semester 3.94 GPA qualified him for the Dean's List. His art is of high quality and he is exuberantly prolific. Pablo is delving into how to communicate by exploring the way people interact with visual media with a multidisciplinary approach. His extensive website demonstrates this approach with a wide variety of artistic disciplines featured.

View Pablo's work at: <https://www.pablogonzalezartist.com/>



**Alexis McKinnon**  
**General Fine Arts – Painting, drawing and a variety of mediums**  
**Florida International University**  
**\$2650**

Alexis has a clear vision of her future career as an artist. She has “became more and more intrigued, experimenting with every medium and constantly finding new questions and endless ways to answer them with my own two hands. Art has given me a space to speak without words, touch people I'll never see, and find true happiness and fulfillment.”

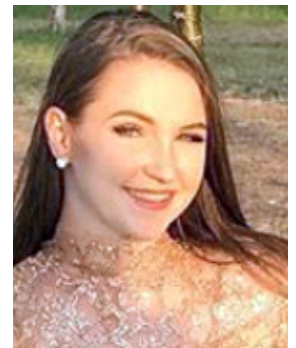
At Booker High School, Alexis was named a “Cambridge Outstanding Learner” in 2018, partially for earning recognition for achieving “Highest Mark in the World for Cambridge International AS-Level General Papers.” After taking a gap-semester, Alexis has matriculated at Florida International University.

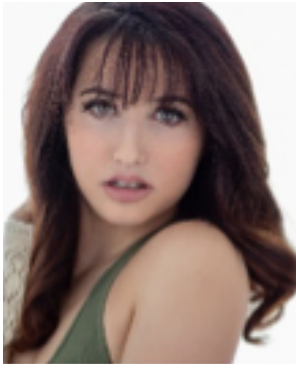
**Emma Pritchett**  
**Architecture**  
**University of South Florida**  
**\$2650**

Emma views architecture as a unique combination of an individual's experience and understanding of art, history, math and science. She is interested in using alternative energy sources such as vegetation walls and optical land utilization. Her goal is to design efficient buildings without losing the authentic personality of the construct.

Emma is well-rounded scholar at the University of South Florida with interests extending to athletics, service to community and is also supplementing her funding with part-time work. She has received an impressive array of leadership awards while achieving academic excellence.

View Emma's website at: [https://issuu.com/pritchett.emma/docs/emma\\_pritchett\\_portfolio](https://issuu.com/pritchett.emma/docs/emma_pritchett_portfolio)





**HALEY ROSENTHAL**  
**Musical Theatre**  
**Boston Conservatory at Berklee**  
**\$3000**

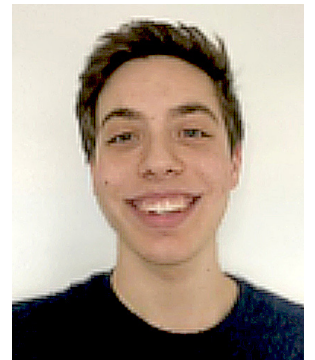
Haley will be a Senior at the Boston Conservatory at Berklee. While completing her course work, she worked professionally for six weeks, wrote and produced an album, and engaged in significant volunteer activities. To quote her professor, "in her personal life, she has faced and overcome numerous challenges and has continued to pursue her passion for theater with passion and grace in the face of these obstacles."

Haley suffers from Stevens-Johnson syndrome/TENS. Attending school in Boston allows her to be near doctors specializing in this challenging disease. As a working artist, Haley hopes to have a platform to raise awareness and support for social and health issues. Her perseverance, positive attitude and determination to give back, as well as her dedication to dance, make her an impressive scholar and person.

View Haley at: <https://www.facebook.com/haley.rosenthal1>

**ELIJAH SCHILDKRAUT**  
**Piano Performance/Music Director**  
**Berklee College of Music**  
**\$3000**

Eli will be a Senior at Berklee College of Music where he maintains a 3.98 GPA and has been on the Dean's List every semester. His career goal is Piano Performance/Music Director. He is already in demand as an accompanist and music director for many performances at Berklee and other productions, including a professional short-term position at Boston's famous Speakeasy Theater Company. His concentration on jazz piano and musical direction for theater has led him to direct at French Woods Festival in the summer and as pianist for the Boston Conservatory.

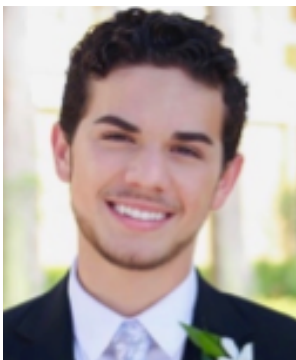


Eli has been the recipient of Arts Advocates/Fine Arts Society of Sarasota scholarships in the past years, and we are pleased to have him as one of our scholarship winners this year.

Enjoy Elijah's performances at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OzBKEROGw5g&feature=youtu.be>

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=6&v=iduZ3887Rqo&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=6&v=iduZ3887Rqo&feature=emb_logo)



**ZACHARY TIMMONS**  
**Fashion Design and Illustration**  
**Savannah College of Art and Design**  
**\$2650**

Zachary Timmons' portfolio of work shows very sophisticated conceptual development beyond his 19 Years. Mastery not only of digital, but also studio work, all of which illustrates a strong foundation that will allow him to excel in whatever areas he decides to integrate into his creative path as a professional artist. This is Zachary's second year as an awardee.

Zachary's letters of recommendation and the clarity and thoroughness of his application tell a very compelling story. He is comfortable traversing traditional disciplines and assumptions, not just by exploring but by researching the territory of exploration. He sees value in the interplay of a wide range of mediums to experiment in finding what answers his questions or objectives.

This is a young man that will optimize the experience of attending one of the top three Art institutions in our country. His ability to articulate and achieve general scholarly success will serve him well in pursuing his passion and being an effective working artist in wherever his creative voice takes him. He is a doer, seeker, dreamer and leader.

"This is the kind of young adult who merits such opportunities awarded to him. It is an investment not only in his future but ours as well." Jeffery A Cornwell, AP Art Instructor, Booker High School