

Link Gallery

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Featuring Cody Shelton

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I make art to escape from the world. When I am making art, I know I have full control over the entire process, from the first mark I make on a paper or canvas, all the way to the last. I first realized I loved art when I was introduced to Photoshop in high school. Learning that program helped me pick up Illustrator, another program, much faster than expected. The art I make is mostly created on a computer. I like working with Photoshop and Illustrator because I like a clean look, and it is easy to fix mistakes.

Cody Shelton, born in 1995, in South Bend, Ind., first showed interest in art at a young age. He loved to design clothes, shoes, and to draw, but he really never considered pursuing in a career in art. Cody entered Manchester University in the fall of 2014, as a sport management major, but two years later switched to Art.

During his Manchester experience, Cody has explored various courses of art including graphic design, figure drawing, painting. Using his artistic skills, he has also created clothing designs, sport uniforms, and logos. After graduation, Cody hopes to pursue a career in graphic design.

But, with all the art courses I have taken here at Manchester, I have discovered that I enjoy painting and drawing just as much as I do working on a computer. Before attending Manchester University, I had never taken any drawing or painting classes, so I always preferred working on a computer because I could not make the lines I wanted to make with my hands. These art classes have helped me improve in those areas, I like working with paper just as much as working on a computer. When working on paper or canvas, I have control over every mark I make on the piece. When people look at my art, I want them to think that I worked very carefully, to notice my very detailed work. I also want them to think my design process and the finished piece are cool.

Cody Shelton