

## PROFILES

# Larissa Makeeva

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Larissa Makeeva, *Sonata/3016*, oil on canvas, 36 x 36 inches

In a word, Larissa Makeeva's art is fiery. Why is a no-brainer.

Larissa's unique experiences living in Europe, the Middle East, America and her native Russia put her ahead of the art curve. She combines the hot ochre and charcoal palette of European cave art with a Middle Eastern emphasis on abstract figures, soaring American skyscrapers and a Russian love for vast spaces. She mixes confident strokes, a mood-lifting palette and dramatic contrast to create pieces that transcend trend.

Larissa paints in layers, working the brightest paints into the canvas first. Her layering technique makes each piece appear to emit light from behind the canvas. Her mantra has always been "effortless energy." There's no getting around the fact that effortless energy and style come with confidence. And viewers fall in love with her powerful strokes of reds and yellows. Each abstract is a knockout piece with plenty of wow factor because you can see the painting move. She turns off all outside senses, and she scrapes, chisels and molds without

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hesitation. This confidence and the direction in every line make the painting come off the canvas and dance, gallop and spin.

The work ranges in size from paintings that cover an entire wall in a gallery setting to those that comfortably enhance an office or home. Larissa challenges herself with working on large-scale paintings in oil, which can take months to dry and execute. Before Larissa can add a new layer of paint, the previous layer must dry completely, meaning that a single painting may take up to a year to complete. ♦



vermillion/3022, oil on canvas, 36"x36"



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