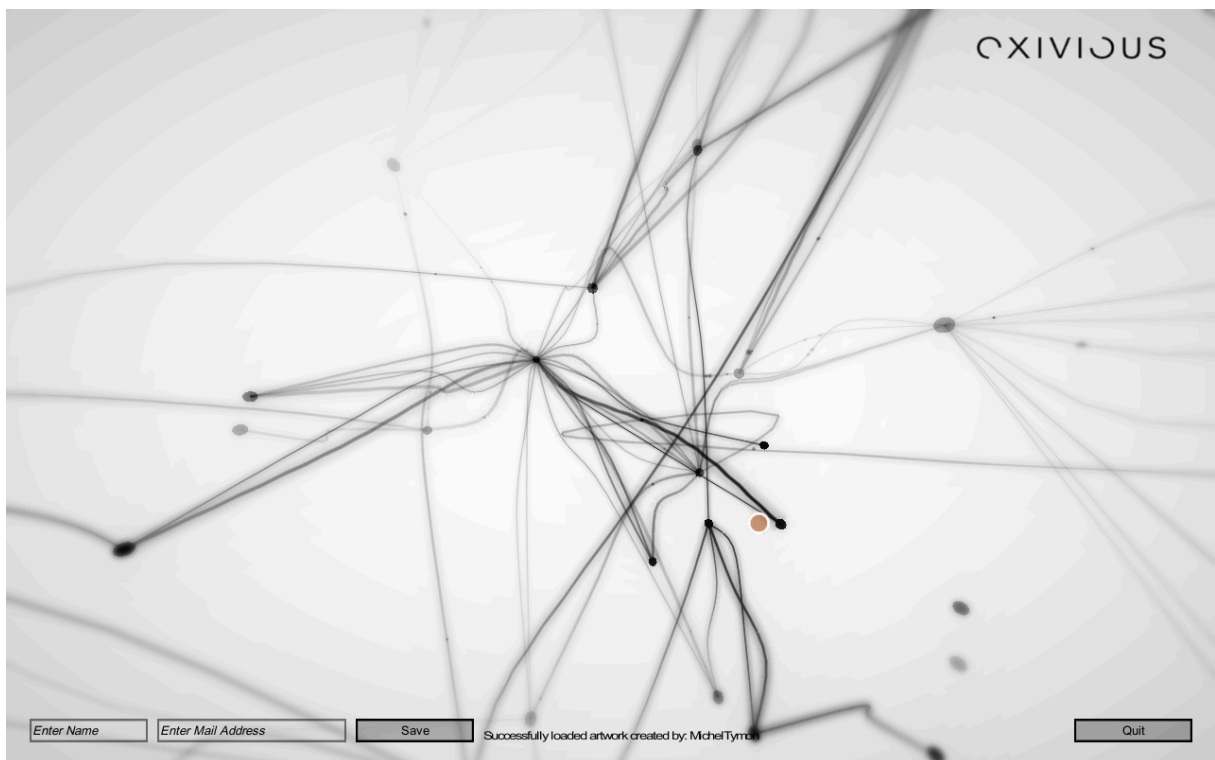


# EXIVIUS

## 1. Startup Screen

For best quality, set the **Screen Resolution** to the highest possible supported value, Graphics Quality to **High** and run the application in **non-Windowed** mode. If your computer has performance issues, it is advised to change the Graphics Quality to Low or Medium and apply a lower **Screen Resolution**. When doing so make sure to run the application in **Windowed Mode**. Press 'Play!' to start.

## 2. The Liminal Universe Shaper



Once you've pressed play, we welcome you to the **Liminal Universe Shaper!** On opening this application, the personalized Art of another Exivious fan who saved his Universe previously will be loaded and displayed. Now it's up to you to change or completely re-design what is in front of you. What you decide to send in (saved) will turn in to a unique piece of art, created by you.

- Drawing

*Using an external mouse for drawing is highly recommended. Both mouse buttons map to separate functions that are important when shaping the Liminal Universe. Not using an external mouse will result in a less pleasant user experience!*

At the core of the Liminal Universe there are **points**, and you are free to move these points around. Lines are automatically drawn between these points to create the look you are after.

The cursor lights up blue when it is focused on a point, and you can select it by clicking the left mouse button. When dragging this point through space, all lines connected to this point will try to snap to neighboring points.



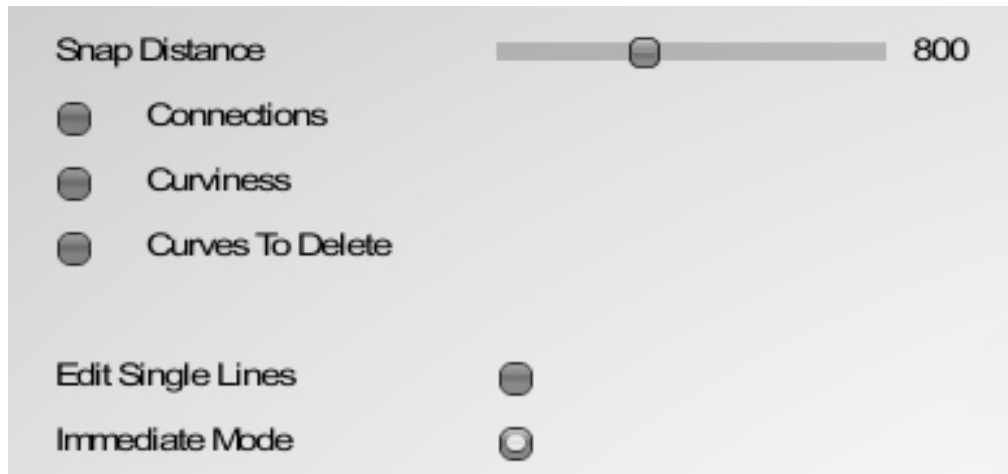
By double clicking a point it is possible to remove a certain amount of lines from that point, or to 'unsnap' them. All lines that are deleted will be added back in when another point is dragged. This enables your to change the density of lines throughout the application.

Clicking on a selected point using the right mouse button will snap its connected lines to other points, therefore randomizing the result.

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| <b>Select Point:</b>               | Left Mouse Button Click        |
| <b>Drag Point:</b>                 | Left Mouse Button Click & Drag |
| <b>Remove Connected Lines:</b>     | Left Mouse Button Double Click |
| <b>Snap lines to other points:</b> | Right Mouse Button Click       |

- Advanced Drawing

Clicking on the Exivious logo in the top right of the screen will give access to the **Advanced Drawing Options**.



### **Snap Distance**

Selects the radius in which lines are allowed to snap from one point to another. Creating very long lines can be achieved by setting the Snap Distance to a high value; short lines will appear when the Snap Distance is set to a low value.

### **Connections**

Sets the amount of connections (lines) a point is allowed to create when being dragged.

### **Curviness**

Setting Curviness will force connections to appear as straight lines (0) to very curvy lines (1).

### **Curves to Delete**

This enables you to set the amount of curves to delete when double clicking with the left mouse button on a point.

### **Edit Single Lines**

In Single Lines mode, it is possible to not just edit points, but also lines. When a line is selected by clicking on it with the Left Mouse Button, breakpoints will appear, which allow the user to shape a single line by hand. The end control points of a line can be snapped to points in the application, the points in between can be dragged to change the shape of the curve.

### **Immediate Mode**

When in Immediate Mode, points will no longer try to connect to other points when dragged. Already established connections will stay in place whilst dragging.

- Zooming & Panning

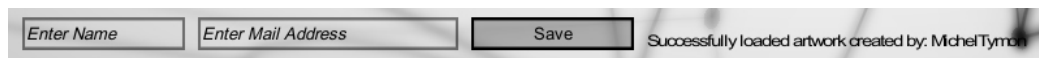
Zoom in and out and pan left or right by clicking anywhere in the white space surrounding the points and lines whilst dragging the mouse around.

**Zoom:** Left Mouse Button Click & Drag Vertically

**Pan:** Left Mouse Button Click & Drag Horizontally

- Saving your Universe

To save your own personalized version of the Liminal Universe, enter your name and email address in the boxes provided for this purpose in the bottom left of your screen, and click 'Save'.



**Remember: you can only save 1 personalized version! Once you have saved the state of your Universe, it will be used for your personalized artwork.**

### 3. Experiencing problems?

If you're having trouble with the Liminal Universe Shaper you can get in touch at [liminaluniverse@exivious.net](mailto:liminaluniverse@exivious.net).