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As Requested



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Summary

Enthusiastic award-winning illustrator & motion graphic designer with a detail oriented and passionate personality. Seeking illustration, graphic design & motion design roles. Eager to use their multidisciplinary skills to bring life to new projects!

Skills

SOFT SKILLS:

- Communication Skills & Empathy
- Quick ideation & Brainstorming
- Collaboration
- Time Management
- Detail Oriented
- Sensitivity Reading (Trans Masc., Nonbinary, Bi+, Autistic)

TECHNICAL SKILLS:

- Illustration (Digital & Traditional)
- Motion Graphic Design
- Video Production
- Graphic Design
- Character Design
- Storyboarding + Animatics
- 2D Animation (Traditional + Digital)
- Comic Art & Storytelling
- Zine Creation & Small Press Print / Publishing
- Editing (Video + Photo)

ADDITIONAL:

- Traditional Art Background in Multiple Mediums
- Style versatility, capable of staying on model

Tools

Entire Adobe Creative Cloud Suite, w/ specialization in:

- Adobe Photoshop
- Adobe After Effects
- Adobe Illustrator
- Adobe Premiere Pro
- Adobe Audition

ADDITIONAL DIGITAL TOOLS:

- Clip Studio Paint EX
- Microsoft Office 365
- Canva

TRADITIONAL TOOLS:

- Watercolour Paint (Gansai Tambi)
- Acrylic Paint (Various)
- Inks (Sakura Micron)

Education and Training

The Art Institute of Dallas
Dallas, TX | 06/18/2022

Bachelor of Fine Arts: Media Arts and Animation

Focus on Motion Graphic Design & Character Design

Graduated June 18th, 2022 / Ceremony July 8th 2022

Transcript available upon request.

Experience

Motion Graphic Designer & Illustrarator | Kobold Interactive | 06/2022 – Current
Contract Employment | Online/REMOTE | Kobold Interactive is Based in WA

REFERENCE #: Please Request Phone
Owner/Contact: Ames Vaughan

Providing graphics, illustrations, story art, comics, and animations for use on social media & stream. Handles brand image and iconic characters, developing stories within the company. Experience in successfully designing for print including on stickers and clothing. Develops new innovative ideas for the company and its stories being told through comics, animation, and games.

Comics & Animation Educator for Youth | iLearning (Previously K12 Experience) | 11/2021 – 12/2023
Contract Employment | Online/REMOTE | Based in NYC, New York

REFERENCE #: Please Request Phone
Owner/Contact: Jason

Trusted with lesson planning, research, prep, and teaching for extracurricular comics & animation classes of mixed 4th-8th graders conducted via Zoom. Structured classes using PowerPoint slideshows and a video camera to provide warmups, artists of the week, in-class activities, and art demos. Provided exciting projects for homework where the students left the class with a finished story to share.

Motion Graphic Designer & Illustrator / Business Owner of Ovaettr Art

Self-Employed (Ovaettr Art) | Denton, TX & REMOTE | 01/2017 – Current

Self-motivated small business owner & freelance artist bringing an innovative approach to designing for digital and print. This includes but is not limited to digital screens, game manuals, books, tarot cards, zines, stickers, buttons, t-shirts, signage, and banners. Creates motion graphics, character designs, & illustrations in collaboration with clients. Vends locally in Denton, TX, using communication skills to make in-person connections.

Art Supply & Fabric Sales Associate/Cashier | Joann Fabrics and Crafts - Denton, TX 02/2019 - 10/2020

Ensured guests were taken care of and received the best deals on art supply and fabric product. Supplied creative problem-solving using communication skills and arts and craft experience.

Balloon Artist & Manager | PJ's Party Supply and Rentals - Denton, TX | 10/2007 - 12/2016

REFERENCE #: Please Request Phone
Owner/Contact: June Schiada

Crafted simple to semi-complex balloon arrangements and balloon art, matching themes, and creating innovative colour schemes appropriate for each event. Managed employees, teaching them and motivating them using teamwork skills. Connected with customers to understand their needs and collected feedback using communication skills.

Community Exhibits & Projects

The Dallas Way: Faces of LGBTQ+ History Art & Archive Exhibit

H. Paxton Moore Fine Art Gallery - El Centro, Dallas College - Dallas, TX | 9/20/22 – 10/7/22

ARTICLE:

<https://bit.ly/DallasWayExhibit>

ARTICLE #2 (See every piece here!):

<https://ovaetr.blog/pride-in-dallas/>

Constructed a self-portrait titled 'Me Is We' that was a part of the self-portraiture portion of the exhibit with many other skilled artists from within the LGBTQ+ community locally. The rest of the exhibit featured Dallas, TX LGBTQ+ history with photos enlarged from the UNT Specialty Archives.

Square-d Community Art Exhibit

Fundraiser for the UNT Food Pantry

UNT CoLAB Art Gallery – Denton, TX | 7/7/2023 – 7/29/2023

ARTICLE:

<https://bit.ly/squareDartshow>

ARTICLE #2 (See every piece here!):

<https://ovaetr.blog/square-d/>

Painted an acrylic painting piece + POSCA markers titled 'Queer Solidarity on the Square' about the queer community of Denton, TX that they have engaged with since 2021 as a queer trans man. The piece sold for \$400 to Nova Martin of Denton, TX. \$200 of the proceeds were donated to the UNT Food Pantry. Part of the project was that each piece was to raise money for the UNT Food Pantry and art collectors could take one home for minimum \$25 donated or more.

Awards

The Greater Denton Arts Council 2023 Awardee of a Micro-Grant

for

'The Fox Who Became A Girl'

(2023)

<https://dentonarts.com/grants>

The grant will cover the printing costs of the first 100 copies of 'The Fox Who Became A Girl.'

Releasing 2024.

View the Comic Preview at:

<http://ovaetr.gay/foxgirl>

Additional References

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Thank you for your time & consideration today, take care & stay safe.