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Summary

I am an Italian illustrator currently based in the USA looking for a job that lets me express my passion of creating intriguing narratives told through different characters. Along with that, I enjoy learning new things and skills, and hope to engage and work with different people in life through my passion.

Experience

Another Cafe / Store Artist

2022, San Francisco

In charge of coming up with designs for the store situated in San Francisco. Focus lies mainly on physical promotional pieces presented in the shop.

Gio Gelati / Store Artist

2021 - 2022, San Francisco

Previously in charge of coming up with designs for Gio Gelati's store, ranging from glass art display and in-store art. Various designs were based on holidays, and were displayed during these specific periods such as Christmas.

Freelance/ Character Illustrator

2016 - PRESENT

Whenever available, I take requests to draw characters for customers. These range from doing full-body character illustrations that are fully rendered, to bust-up sketches.

- Featured Artist in Phosphor Zine
- Featured Artist in Days Off Zine
- Postcard Artist in Tsuritama Zine
- Featured Artist in Project: c[O]Da Zine
- Featured Artist in Ham-Chat Zine
- Sprite Artist for University of Washington's HGN Valentine's Game
- Official Logo Designer for WiseLilyRose Podcast

Skills

- Experience with Illustration in both Traditional and Digital Formats
- Able to Create Digital illustrations optimized for both Online and Print Display
- Proficient with Adobe Photoshop and Procreate
- Able to Design characters based off Context and Existing Prompts
- Can Assist with Character and Short Form Writing to support Illustrations
- Experience Adapting Designs to Fulfill Client Expectations
- Familiar with Writing and Creating Comics
- Comfortable Working in Groups, or Alone
- Native Fluency in English and Italian

Education

Academy of Art University / BFA Illustration

2016 - 2021, San Francisco

Attended AAU for 5 years, in which I learned various necessary skills that aided me in preparing myself to enter the art industry upon graduating. Along with extra character design classes, I've also taken various classes that focus on children's book art, and comics art.

- Academy of Art University Spring Show 2019
- Academy of Art University Spring Show 2021

Academy of Art University / MA Visual Development

Ongoing- Graduating 2024, San Francisco

Currently attending AAU once again to refine skills learned prior, such as gestures for figure drawing, and broaden my skills in characters, prop, and environment designs throughout my degree.