

MULTIMEDIA SPECIALIST + ILLUSTRATOR + 3D ARTIST + TOY DESIGNER

To obtain a position in a creative environment that will enable me to use my 12+ years of illustration, design and multimedia prowess, superb problem solving skill set and exceptional people skills.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2016 - Present

Manager/ Alien Copilot

Mothership Art Gallery and Designer Toy Store, Philadelphia, PA

As the Managing Partner of the Philadelphia location I established and setup the brick and mortar store including scouting the location and initial construction. Half Art Gallery and half Designer Toy Store I wore a few different hats. As a manager my duties included but not limited to day to day operations, scheduling, inventory setup, sales, shipping procurement, Processes implementation, advertisement, maintenance, new sales development and art direction. As Art Gallery curator my duties included scheduling, art procurement, gallery setup/construction, web store updates, promotion, sales and shipping.

2010 - Present

Creative Director/ Sole Proprietor

Playful Gorilla, Philadelphia, PA

Independent artist, Gallery Curator, art toy customizer and creative hub geared toward bringing characters to life. Offering 3D modeling, 3d printing, and molding and casting and digital illustration services. I'm also a resident artist in Brave New Worlds Comic and Collectibles in Willow Grove, PA. Responsibilities include designing, creating, promoting and selling custom artwork through art galleries, art group shows, social media, online storefront and pop art conventions across the country such as New York Comic Con, Philadelphia Comic Con, Philadelphia International Auto Show, Camden Comic Con, Garden State Comic Fest, The Great Allentown Comic Con, DesignerCon of Pasadena, Kick Jam, Zolocon, RetroCon, Galacticon, Baltimore Comic Con, The NovaCon, Designer Toy Summit and Omega Con.

2014 - 2015

3D Artist / Toy Designer

NRI, Inc., Philadelphia, PA

As part of the nationwide Digital Fabrication Team I established and ran the 3D Printing Lab in Philadelphia. Specialized in 3D printing, 3D scanning, molding /casting and other modeling services for toy designers, architectural clients, as well as product design and other design professions. Responsibilities included 3D printing sales, running 3D printing service bureau and providing internal and customer level consultation. Clients included but not limited to DC Entertainment, Google and TownleyGirl (with Disney and Illumination Studio Licenses)

Sales and Business Development:

- Generate new revenue streams and a regular client base on the east coast
- Manage leads and client sales cycles in a CRM database
- Sell 3D Printing services and equipment
- Attending and hosting events

Production:

- Lead 3D Modeler
- Created, Marketed, and Brought To Market IP (Baby'Rilla)
- Maintain the 3D printing service bureau
- Respond to requests for estimates
- Process orders
- Manage multiple orders and their various deadlines

2009 - 2013

Multimedia Developer

Creative MediaWorks, Inc., Pennington NJ

Responsible for programming immersive Interactive Adobe Flash content utilizing Action script 2.0 and 3.0 including interactive sales aids, speaker training portals, interactive trade show kiosks, xml driven customizable presentations, interactive visual algorithms, touch screen applications and educational games. Also was lead animator for motion graphics, web animations, and video production. Responsibilities also included web layouts and design, illustration and artwork, storyboarding, logo design, new product creation and design work for pitch projects.

2008 - 2009

Flash Programmer/Animator, SFX Pro

Golden Era Productions, Hemet CA

Responsible for programming and animating dynamic Adobe Flash content utilizing Action script 2.0 and the GAIA framework including web development for multiple websites and web venues. Responsibilities also included the programming of flash based video and museum kiosks, and implementing 3D content into flash applications.

2004 - 2008

Graphic Specialists III

Logistic Services International, Jacksonville, FL

Developed training courseware products by creating two and three dimension graphics and animation from photographs, video, script and/or storyboards utilizing Adobe Creative Suite and Autodesk 3D Studio max graphics software.

AWARDS AND PUBLICATIONS

- 2015 Television Feature, **6ABC Action News WPVI Philadelphia**, Wednesday, June 03
 "3D Printing Being Used In Fun Ways"
 (<http://6abc.com/technology/3d-printing-being-used-in-fun-ways/764510/>)
- 2015 News Radio Feature, **KYW Newsradio 1060 Philadelphia**, Wednesday, April 25
 "3D Printing, Serious and Not So, Gets Spotlight During Philly Tech Week"
 (<http://philadelphia.cbslocal.com/2015/04/22/3d-printing-serious-and-frivolous-gets-spotlight-during-philly-tech-week/>)
- 2015 Full Page Feature, Back Cover, **Goregasm Girls Magazine**, Issue 2, 2015. 38.
- 2015 Full Page Feature, **Goregasm Girls Magazine**, Premiere Issue, 2015. 34.
- 2014 Artist Interview, **GoreNoir Magazine**, Summer, 2014. 52.
- 2012 **18th Annual Communicator Award of Excellence**
International Academy of the Visual Arts (IAVA) 18th Annual Communicator Awards.
 Brought home the Award of Excellence/Gold for Creative MediaWorks in the Interactive category for the self-promotional game "The CMW 2011 Holiday Caper"
 (<http://www.creativemediaworks.com/holiday2011>)which allowed clients to play a physics-

based puzzle game and then enter a sweepstakes for a giveaway.

CURATORIAL PROJECTS

December 2016

WHO-R-U?! Custom Toy Show (Mothership Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA)

I was responsible for co-curating artist MikeFX first show. My responsibilities were to hand select the artist, run the logistics of managing 30 artists and their works, finding sponsors for the show, doing promo and graphics for the show, laying out the pieces in the gallery, creating new artwork for show and hosting the gallery show itself.

May 2017

Animal Instincts (Mothership Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA)

I was responsible for putting together my duo show with artist JFury. My responsibilities were to create new pieces, run the logistics of managing 2 artists and their works, finding sponsors for the show, doing promo and graphics for the show, laying out the pieces in the gallery, hosting a raffle giveaway and hosting the gallery show itself.

December 2016

A Very Munny Xmas (Mothership Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA)

I was responsible for putting together the Mothership Art Gallery inaugural holiday show. My responsibilities were to hand select the artist, run the logistics of managing 70 artists and their works, finding sponsors for the show, doing promo and graphics for the show, laying out the pieces in the gallery and hosting the gallery show itself.

August 2016

Arsenal of Artist Presents: Game Over (Undiscovered Realm, White Plains, NY)

I was responsible for putting together the fifth Arsenal of Artists group show. Co curating with a partner we asked to present a video gamed themed show inside of a Tattoo Parlor. My responsibilities were to hand select the artist, run the logistics of managing 70 artists and their works, finding sponsors for the show, doing promo and graphics for the show, laying out the pieces in the gallery and hosting the gallery show itself.

April 2016

Arsenal of Artist Presents: Marvel Vs DC (Undiscovered Realm, White Plains, NY)

I was responsible for putting together the fourth Arsenal of Artists group show. Co curating with a partner we asked to present a comic book themed show within a con. My responsibilities were to hand select the artist, run the logistics of managing 40 artists and their works, finding sponsors for the show, doing promo and graphics for the show, laying out the pieces in the gallery and hosting the gallery show itself.

December 2015

Zukie Presents: Holiday Extravaganza Show (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick NJ)

I was responsible for assisting New York based artist Zukie in her holiday show. My responsibilities were to help select the artist and doing promo graphics for the show.

November 2015

Arsenal of Artist Presents: Day of the Bat (Steve's Comic Relief, Levittown PA)

I was responsible for putting together the third Arsenal of Artists group show. Co curating with a partner we came up with a show as a tribute to the 75th anniversary of Batman. My responsibilities were to hand select the artist, run the logistics of managing 75 artists and their works, finding sponsors for the show, doing promo and graphics for the show, laying out the pieces in the gallery and hosting the gallery show itself.

August 2015

Arsenal of Artist Presents: No Toon Left Behind (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick NJ)

I was responsible for putting together the second Arsenal of Artists group themed show. Co curating with a partner we came up with the theme of remembering Saturday Morning Cartoons – something that as of today no longer exists as it once did. My responsibilities were to hand select the artist, run the logistics of managing 105 artists and their works, finding sponsors for the show, doing promo and graphics for the show, laying out the pieces in the gallery and hosting the gallery show itself.

April 2015

Arsenal of Artist Presents: The Recruits (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick NJ)

I was responsible for putting together the first Arsenal of Artists group themed show. Co curating with a partner a military twist themed was selected. My responsibilities were to hand select the artists, run the logistics of managing 65 artists and their works, finding sponsors for the show, doing promo and graphics for the show, laying out the pieces in the gallery and hosting the gallery show itself.

GROUP ART SHOWS

July 2017

WHO-R-U? Custom Toy Show (Mothership Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA)

"I Am Negan!" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 4" WHO-R-U DIY Base

July 2017

Creatures for Kids (Deep Ellum Apparel, Dallas, TX)

"Sad Dreamer" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 4" Munny DIY Base

May 2017

Animal Instincts Show (Mothership Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA)

"King of Skull Island" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Funko King Kong Base

"Gorilla Beast" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 4" PopCorn Vinyl Base

"Boogie the Gorilla" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 8" Munny DIY Base

"Captain PhasmaRilla" - Custom 24" Capt Phasma & Gorilla Grodd mashup using vinyl

"Playful Ape Mini Spray" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay empty spray can base

"Gorilla Relics" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay – casted in resin

"Sad Monkeys" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay – casted in resin

"King Spiki Kong" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Spiki Base

"MickeyRillas" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Vinylmation Base

"Playful Gorilla Logo Can" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay empty spray can base

April 2017

Baby Colossus Toy Show (ToyCon UK, London, UK)

"Lil Guineo" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 4" Tomodachi Baby Colossus DIY Base

April 2017

Customania: A Heavyweight Custom Toy Show (ToyCon UK, London, UK)

"The Big Red Machine" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 4" Munny DIY Base

April 2017

Sweet Dreams: A Custom Dream Kitten Art Show (Plastic & Heroes, San Jose, CA)

"Cosplay Dreaming" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 4" Dream Kitten DIY Base

April 2017

Unity Through Art (The Alley Gallery, Pomona, CA)

"A Little Stranger" - Hand painted canvas with resin toy element

March 2017

Clucked Out! Show (Designer Toy Summit, Memphis, TN)

"El Pollo Hermano" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 3" Clucked Out Clarence DIY Base

March 2017

Little Green Men: Aliens & Leprechauns (Mothership Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA)

"The Truth is Out There" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 3" WWE Base

"Lucky" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Funko Alien Base

"The Ancient Collector" - Hand sculpted using 3d Print & polymer clay on Tranimated DIY Base

February 2017

Hartbroken Art Show (Inspirado at Madison Gallery, Covington, KY)

"Forever Broken" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 3" Vinylmation Base

- January 2017 **Yetimageddon** (Mothership Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA)
 "Abogue" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 8" Munny DIY Base
- December 2016 **A Very Munny Xmas** (Mothership Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA)
 "Gorilla in Reindeer Suit" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 3" Munny DIY Base
 "Smoaks the Ape" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 3" Munny DIY Base
 "Meh the Ape" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 3" Munny DIY Base
 "Howler the Ape" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 3" Munny DIY Base
- October 2016 **Argonaut Resin: Guest Artists Custom Jam** (New York Comic Con, New York, NY)
 "Carnage Tutz" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 8" Tutz DIY Base
 "Carnage Sucio Mouse" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on 4" Sucio Mouse DIY Base
- October 2016 **Neo Kaiju Show: The Kidzilla Group** (New York Comic Con, New York, NY)
 "Invader Zim in Gir Costume" - Hand sculpted clay on Yooi Kidzilla Base
- October 2016 **Boozi Show** (New York Comic Con, New York, NY)
 "Lil Naked Hellboy" - Hand sculpted clay on Wicked Mastermind Boozi Base
- September 2016 **Bearly, A Custom Toy Show** (Redefine Gallery, Orlando, FL)
 "Bearly Dead President" - Hand painted & cotton beanie on Luke Cheh Vinyl DIY Base
- August 2016 **Arsenal of Artists Presents: Game Over** (Cosmic Primate Tattoo, Hatboro, PA)
 "Money. Power. Respect." – Wood, Metal and vinyl on wooden frame
 "Pokemon GO... and get locked up!" – Hand illustration mounted in floating frame
 "Trooper Suit Mario" – Custom 8" Mario & Storm trooper mashup using polymer clay and vinyl
- July 2016 **Baby Fatts Toy Show** (Woot Bear, San Francisco, CA)
 "Baby Krueger Fatts" – Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Baby Fatts DIY Base
 "Baby Jango Fatts" – Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Baby Fatts DIY Base
- May 2016 **Robots Will Kill: 15 Year Anniversary Show** (My Plastic Heart, New York, NY)
 "V for Video Games" – Polymer clay on Vinyl Mario Face on comic page wrapped canvas
- May 2016 **Baby Fatts Customized Toy Exhibit** (Rotofugi, Chicago, IL)
 "Baby Fattsraiser" – Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Baby Fatts DIY Base
- April 2016 **Hitsquad Show** (Clutter Gallery, Beacon, NY)
 "Mario Trooper" – Custom 22" Mario & Storm trooper mashup using polymer clay and vinyl
 "Zombie Whomp" - Hand sculpt using polymer clay – casted in resin Edition of 2
 "Dunny'Rilla: Quad & Equis" - Hand sculpt using polymer clay – casted in resin Edition of 2
 "Baby GrootPool" - Hand sculpt using polymer clay – casted in resin
- January 2016 **If Only In Your Dreams...** (Thumbprint Gallery 2, San Diego, CA)
 "Experiment 626" - Hand sculpt using polymer clay – casted in resin
- December 2015 **Zukie Presents: Holiday Extravaganza Show** (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick, NJ)
 "Stain Boy" - Hand sculpted polymer clay on Zukie Vinyl DIY Base
- December 2015 **Addicted To Ink Presents: The Art Awakens** (Addicted to Ink Tattoo, White Plains, NY)
 "NES Jason Trooper" - Hand sculpted polymer clay on Starwars Stormtrooper Vinyl DIY Base

- December 2015 **Suburban Vinyl Presents: Super Troopers** (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick, NJ)
"BaneTrooper" - Hand sculpted polymer clay on Starwars Stormtrooper Vinyl DIY Base
- December 2015 **EZ-Spired Show** (Speakeasy Art Gallery, Boonton, NJ)
"Chauncey: Bits & Pieces" - Hand sculpted toy robot using multi mediums
- November 2015 **Claynext Handmade Sculptures & Illustartions** (Settle Down Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA)
"Andre" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Tranimated DIY Base
- November 2015 **Oop Custom Artist Series** (DesignerCon. Pasedena, CA)
"Friday the Oopstein" - Hand sculpted toy using polymer clay on Oops Resin DIY Base
- September 2015 **Arsenal of Artists Presents: Day of the Bat** (Steve's Comic Relief, Levittown, PA)
"The Bats" - Digital illustration mounted in floating frames
- August 2015 **Arsenal of Artists Presents: No Toon Left Behind** (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick, NJ)
"BatDuck" - Hand sculpted polymer clay on Kid Robot Dunny Base
- April 2015 **Arsenal of Artists Presents: The Recruits** (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick, NJ)
"The Urban Soldier" - Shadow Boxed Framed Digital illustration laser cut and layered in 2.5D
- December 2014 **Suburban Vinyl Presents: Holiday Gift Show** (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick, NJ)
"Holiday Butcherz" - Three resin casted sculpts on Micro Munny and Dudebox DIY Bases
- October 2014 **Suburban Vinyl Presents: Masked Show** (Suburban Vinyl Art Gallery, Waldwick, NJ)
"Jason Vs Freddy Mask" - Shadow Boxed Framed Digital illustration laser cut and layered in 2.5D
- July 2014 **Inaugural EVO Art Show** (Las Vegas Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, NV)
"Blanka's Aftermath" - Shadow Boxed Framed Digital illustration laser cut and layered in 2.5D
- January 2014 **Childish Playthings** (Menace Inc. Studios, Greensboro, NC)
"Simon Sez Gossamer" - One off hand sculpted toy using polymer clay
- November 2013 **Custom Yo! Blind Box Show** (DesignerCon. Pasedena, CA)
"Fantastic Gorilla Four" - Four hand sculpted toys on 3Coconut Monkey Yo! DIY Bases
- November 2013 **DKE Toys Presents: 99 Deaths of Jar Jar** (Designer Con, Pasadena, CA)
"Last Minutes of Jar Jar" - 8.5" x 11" Inked sketch
- December 2012 **7 Seals Resin Blind Box Series** (Ultimate Comics, Chapel Hill, NC)
"Seal 1: The Conqueror" - Hand sculpt using polymer clay – casted in resin
- November 2012 **Night Terror Owl Dunny Series #2** (New York Comic Con, New York, NY)
"Predator Owl" - Hand sculpted polymer clay on customized Kid Robot Dunny Base

EDUCATION

- 2001-2004 **The Art Institute's Miami International University of Art and Design**
Miami, FL
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Computer Animation

SKILLS

Computational Design, Digital Fabrication, 3D Printing , Animation and Motion Graphics, illustration, Proficient in Autodesk Maya, Autodesk 3DStudio Max, Adobe Flash, Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects, Premiere Pro, Dreamweaver, MDM Zinc, XML, Microsoft office, Windows and Mac Operating systems. Curating, Molding, Casting, Sculpting. Working knowledge of Unity3D, Object Oriented Programming, HTML5, CSS, Javascript, C#, Also Bilingual

PORTFOLIO

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REFERENCES

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