Emily Garcia

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Relevant Experience

Character Designer • Niwl Games November 2022 - Present

- Designs characters for an isometric shipbuilding simulator, "The Shipyard"
- Follows prompts and style guides to create a diverse set of characters with developed personalities/traits
- Creates expression sheets and expands on style guides pertaining to each character

2D Artist • Party for Introverts November 2022 - December 2023

- Designed and illustrated environments for Cabernet, a 2D narrative role-playing game
- Responded positively to feedback from clients and completed tasks in a mindful manner
- Versatile with both 2D and 3D processes to create a strong final product

Character Designer/Illustrator • Private Clients March 2021 - Present

- Strives to balance technical function, aesthetics, and creativity within game design and animation restraints
- Professionally driven to design high-quality character concept art for orthographic images and/or illustrations

Concept Art Instructor • Harbaugh-Thomas Library May 2022 - July 2022

 Devised and executed an activity where the students created their own Pokémon using industry standard techniques

Interior Illustrator • Big Bad Booklet • Hit Point Press November 2021 - December 2021

- Illustrated eight high-quality fantasy digital paintings for the "Big Bad Booklet: Emmeline"
- Worked collaboratively with the art director to create detailed illustrations

Muralist • 2020 Harrisburg Mural Festival • Sprocket Mural Works September 2020 - October 2020

Painted a comforting 18 x 67-foot nature mural on 4th and Blackberry Street in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Other Experience

Housekeeping/Front Desk • Union Hotel May 2024 - Present

Prioritizing guest comfort, maintains and supervises a 12-room boutique hotel

Esports Supervisor • The University of Akron September 2018 - December 2019

Passionate when discussing games with customers, both casually and competitively

Overwatch Student Coach • The University of Akron March 2018 - December 2018

First Female Collegiate Esports Coach in the United States

Mentored and recommended team strategies to varsity and junior varsity players

Skills and Software

- Professional attitude, strong listening skills, and an ability to take constructive criticism
- Able to quickly iterate using Photoshop, Procreate, Nomad Sculpt, and Blender
- Familiar with game engines, especially Godot
- Solid foundation in the traditional arts including shapes, form, and colors in both 2D and 3D
- Experience with narrative storytelling through characters, props, and environments

Education and Awards

SmArt School • Scott Fischer Fall 2021

Mastered the fundamentals of taking any concept from start to finish

BA in Studio Art • The University of Akron Fall 2015 - Fall 2019

- Learned a variety of techniques including, and not limited to, Adobe Creative Suite, printmaking, watercolor painting, metalsmithing, blacksmithing, welding, woodshop, and casting for clay and metal pieces
- Dean's List (seven semesters), Demetros Award (Spring 2019), Demetros Honorable Mention (Spring 2017)