

Ariel Paxton

Storyboard Artist

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Education

Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD)
Master of Fine Arts in Animation

Art Institute of Atlanta

Bachelor of Fine Arts & Animation

Skills

Storytelling
Storyboarding
Character Design
Illustration
Problem-Solving
Graphic Design
Prop Design
Understanding of Perspective
Teamwork

Software & Tools

Storyboard Pro
Toon Boom Harmony
Adobe Photoshop
Adobe After Effects
Mac OS
Microsoft OS
Microsoft 360
Adobe Illustrator
Wacom Cintiq

Awards & Nominations

Nomination for Kids & Family Emmy

Outstanding Interactive Media: Snacks with Spats|2023

Kidscreen Best Alternative Game

On the Job| 2022

Official selection for My Pet Venus

Screening for Atlanta Film Festival | 2022
WIFTA Short Film Showcase | 2020
Screening for ASFIA East Film Festival| 2020

Experience

Noggin by Nickelodeon | Remote | Full-Time

Storyboard Artist

Mar 2021- Feb 2024

Worked on a team of over 300 people creating compelling visual narratives and sequences for animated projects.

- Noggin is Nickelodeon's preschool learning platform where I worked as a storyboard artist creating shortform series and interactive content.
- Collaborated with directors and producers to conceptualize thumbnails and storyboards for On the Job, Snack with Spats, Big Hearts Belong, Wild Words and Noggin Shorts.
- Storyboarded on an Emmy-nominated interactive series, Snacks with Spats.
- Translated scripts to sequences of drawings for interactive content.
- Worked fast and efficiently to meet project deadlines on multiple projects.

Noggin by Nickelodeon | Remote | Contract

Storyboard Artist and 2D Animator

Oct 2020 - Mar 2021

- Created storyboards for Noggin's interactive media Missions.
- Animated for the first season of Noggin's Show-Me-Bot series.

Trusted Brain Productions | Contract| Remote

Storyboard Artist, 2D Animator, Character Designer

Feb 2020 - Oct 2021

- Trusted Brain Production is a company created by the band Tyrants in Therapy.
- Developed the storyboards, characters and animations for the song Normalize.

TeachMe TV LLC| Contract | Remote

2D Animator and Character Designer

Sep 2020 – Dec 2020

- 2D animator for TeachMe TV, a children's learning platform.
- Developed character designs, backgrounds and animations for the song Wash Your Hands.
- Organized project scene for the production pipeline.

Kevin Schreck Productions | Contract | Remote

Storyboard Artist, 2D Animator, Character Designer

May 2019 - Aug 2020

Collaborated with the filmmaker, Kevin Schreck, to make a two-minute animation.

- Storyboard and animated a 2D sequence for the film Enongo.
- Communicated with the director on characters and scenes before animation was created.

The DVI Group | Internship | Atlanta, GA

2D Animation

Mar 2019 – Aug 2019

- Organized and managed multiple projects as a 2D animator and editor, responsible for four shots of puppet animation for various promotional advertisements like the Holiday Inn Express and then.

My Pet Venus | Thesis Film | Atlanta, GA

Director

Jul 2018 – Jan 2020

Oversaw a team of 5 animators and 3 background artists to create my film, "My Pet Venus." Collaborated with the animation lead to clean up and finalize multiple shots of animation.

- Developed storyboards, and character designs and finalized the film by composting each scene for the film.
- Selected to Screen at 8 film festivals such as Atlanta Film Festival, WIFTA Short Film Showcase and ASIFA EAST Film Festival.

Abrakadoodle, Inc| Part-time| Atlanta, GA

Substitute Teacher

Feb 2018- Jul 2018

- Taught 10 elementary students' influential music by using art. We created various kinds of arts and crafts using materials such as oil pastels, and watercolor to make collages and paintings.

Savannah College of Art and Design | Full-time | Atlanta, GA

Student Ambassador

Jun 2017 - Jul 2017

- Mentored 100 high school sophomore and freshman students into a college experience at SCAD.
- Organized storage space and kept dorms and hallways clean for new students.
- Documented paperwork and keys for dorm rooms to give out to students.