EMMA JEZEK

CHARACTER ILLUSTRATOR MODEL EQUINE ARTIST



ABOUT

My lifelong passion for both art and horses culminates in my ability to create colorful characters and uniquely designed model equines.

CONTACT DETAILS

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USEFUL SKILLS

- Proficient in the following programs:
 - Photoshop
 - After Effects
 - Clip Studio Paint
 - Microsoft Word
 - Microsoft Excel
- Proficient with social media apps and websites (Facebook, Instagram, TikTok)
- Experience in photography
- Familiar with script writing and storyboarding concepts for screen and comic books/graphic novels
- Ability to take constructive criticism on projects and revise accordingly due to production needs, etc.
- Ability to work both alone and with others cooperatively
- Goal-oriented with a drive to learn new skills and concepts
- Out-of-the-box thinking with both the ability and desire to try new things

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Digital Art course w/Pernille Oerum 2017
- Storyboarding for Animation course w/Pete Michaels 2017
- Fundamentals of Animation course w/Aaron Blaise 2020
- Working towards certification in Toon Boom Storyboard Pro 2020
- Equine Illustration course w/Aaron Blaise 2022

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Product Designer / Illustrator / Web Developer + More

THE PETER STONE COMPANY SHIPSHEWANA, IN MAY 2018 - NOVEMBER 2022

- Responsible for creating all assets of the "Design A Horse" program (patterns, markings, visual builders, etc.)
- Designs and develops horse models for retail sale, including creation of patterns and markings
- Works closely with management and company heads to design and plan advertising, major events, and various other projects
- Product photographer
- Social media correspondent + content creator

Model Equine Artist / Illustrator / Content Creator

PAINT PONY STUDIOS NEGAUNEE, MI APRIL 2016 - PRESENT

- Designs and paints one of a kind model horses
- Creates illustrations used for advertising and merchandise
- Creates and edits videos: hosts regular live streams
- Regularly hosts paint days and art classes for children ages 8 & up

GENERAL EXPERIENCE

Secretary / Social Media Manager

SCHWALBACH KITCHENS MARQUETTE, MI JANUARY 2015 - 2021

Leader / Educator

MANES & TAILS MODEL HORSE 4H CLUB MARQUETTE, MI JANUARY 2017 - PRESENT

EDUCATION

Northern Michigan University

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS (ILLUSTRATION)— 2016 - 2021

- Study focus: character illustrations with personality
- 3.9 GPA

United States Pony Club

ENGLISH RIDING / EVENTING- 2005 - 2015

- Achieved C1 level; multi-qualifier for USPC Champs in Quiz



PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Steven Hughes

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CHARACTER REFERENCES

Jon Dickerson

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