

Syr-Ivan Bennett syriivan@gmail.com (347)-652-8278
STORYBOARD ARTIST/ DIRECTOR

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Experience

Story Artist

May 2007 – Present

Created commercial storyboards and production art for a variety of companies, including Disney's Junior, Netflix, Marvel Comics, Toyota, TBWA Chiat Day, PEPSI, and others

Writer/Director

Sep 2019 – May 2020

The Telepathetics

Created 3 minute animation for SVA MFA Computer Arts Thesis project

Curriculum and Development Artist

Feb 2013 - July 2019

Nickelodeon / Blaze and the Monster Machines

Created digital storybooks as pre-production art for animated series

Adjunct Professor - Storyboard Workshop

Sep 2001 - Jun 2007

New York University - CADA

Instructed students in the development of storyboards for film and animation. Created lesson plan/syllabus, and critiqued assignments

Writer/Director – Nickelodeon / “Jinny Starfly”

Jan 2004 - Dec 2004

Nickelodeon

Wrote and directed animated short for Nick Jr. division

Skills/Awards/Honors

Proficient in: **Adobe Photoshop/ Adobe Premiere / Adobe Animate / Z-Brush / Adobe InDesign/ Maya 2018 / Storyboard Pro / Nuke X 11.3**

Winner of the Silver Medal **Parent's Choice Award 2007**

Award Winner at **NY International Film Awards – 2020** (Best series Pilot/ Voiceover for **TheTelepathetics**)

Education

MFA, School of Visual Arts

MFA in Computer Arts, New York, NY

Sep 2016 – May 2020

BFA, Pratt Institute

Communications Design / Illustration Brooklyn, NY

Sep 1992 - Jun 1996