

# Irene McCarthy

## Illustrator / Digital Media Artist

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### OBJECTIVE

I am a passionate artist with experience in digital media and studio art, and I am looking for an opportunity to use and expand my creative skills in immersive storytelling and themed entertainment.

### SKILLS

- Illustration, Graphic Design, Concept Design, Storyboarding, 2D Animation; 3D Animation; 3D Modeling/ Rendering; Studio Art; Painting; Airbrushing; Photography; Film and Theatre Lighting; Video Editing; Content Creation; Social Media; French Language
- Communication; Problem-Solving; Multi-Tasking; Team Collaboration; Time Management
- Adobe Suite; Adobe Illustrator; Adobe Premiere Pro; Adobe Photoshop; Adobe In Design; Autodesk Maya; Apple Procreate; Google Suite; Microsoft Office; Keynote / PowerPoint

### EXPERIENCE

#### **Caricature Artist | Artistic Talent Group at Walt Disney World** Jan 2025 – Present

- Uses traditional illustration mediums (ink, watercolor, marker), to create cartoon renditions of guests and their pets at the Walt Disney World Resort hotels and parks.
- Interacts with guests to take orders to create an in-depth, accurate depiction for optimal guest satisfaction.

#### **Caricature Artist | Fazen Arts at Universal Studios Orlando** July 2024 – Jan 2025

- Used airbrush and graphite to create stylized portraits of guests for a unique and personal souvenir at the Universal Studios Parks.
- Handled sales and customer service-related requests to ensure smooth operations and customer satisfaction.

#### **Attendant- Universal's Great Movie Escape | Universal Studios Orlando** Aug 2024 – Present

- Creates an immersive experience for Universal Studios guests by ensuring they are well prepared and informed before dispatching them into the escape experience.
- Handles both ticket and UO merchandise sales at the venue while answering any questions guests may have about the escape experiences or Universal Studios Resort operations.
- Awarded October Team Member of the Month

#### **Event Assistant and Sales Associate | Time to Clay, Nashua, NH** May 2023 – June 2024

- Assisted customers with their clay and glass projects by selecting pieces, color palettes, and educating the proper glass fusing and underglaze painting techniques.
- Hosted and instructed group events including birthday parties, bachelorettes, and more.

#### **Attractions Operations- Disney College Program | Walt Disney World** July 2022 – May 2023

- Followed a set of daily tasks to ensure smooth operation and safety at Star Tours: The Adventure Continues in Disney's Hollywood Studios
- Exemplified Disney's Five Keys, Safety, Courtesy, Inclusion, Show, and Efficiency.
- Interacted with and entertained guests; Provided excellent service and demonstrated effective problem-solving by offering creative solutions for unique situations.

#### **Freelance Artist | Self-Employed** Jan 2018 – Present

- Custom commission work through social media (Instagram, Facebook)
  - Character art, illustrations, and graphic design.
  - Various design work for theatrical productions.
- Vendor at various fan events (FanExpo Boston, Ocala Comic-Con, Megacon Orlando)
  - Employed a small team to help with event set-up and product sales.
- Contracted graphic designer for [Nice Shirt. Thanks!](#) (2021-2023)
  - Created t-shirt designs based on short descriptions from customers

### EDUCATION

#### **Bachelor of Liberal Arts: Studio Art and Digital Media | Univ. of MA Lowell** Sept 2021 – July 2024

- Dean's List, 3.75 GPA
- Study abroad, 2024 Annecy Film Festival, Annecy, France