Nia Lee



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SKILLS

Technical Skills: Adobe Creative Suite, Shotgrid, Asana, Microsoft Office, Google Suite, FLIX, Blender, Storyboard Pro, Syncsketch, Evercast, Cintiq

Creative Skills: Video editing, storyboarding, writing, project management

Languages: English, Japanese (N3-N4)

Awards/Activities: Credited as Story & Editorial Production Assistant in "The Garfield Movie", Member of Black 'N Animated, Story for All Mentee

EDUCATION

Story for All Mentorship

 Mentored by Lee Witz - Received feedback on storyboard based assignments

Story Xperimental with Pixar

 Step by step class going through the process from script writing to storyboards to animatic editing

Story Artist Academy

 Beginner level class taught by Dave Chlystek

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art & Design

University of Michigan - Ann Arbor

 Minor in Japanese Languages and Cultures

WORK EXPERIENCE

World Incubation Assistant - Stone Kite

2024 - Present

2023 - 2024

- Led illustrated project for 14 pieces which required artist recruitment, artist management, asset management, and art direction.
- Assembled and catalogued invoices for all artistic departments which included 30+ freelance works

Freelance Storyboard Artist - Unannounced Indie Project

- Storyboarded character conversation scenes and introductions for unannounced indie game.
- Coordinated with game director and mentors on staging and gags.

Story & Editorial Production Assistant - Alcon Entertainment 2022 - 2024

- Catalogued 500+ visual development assets and storyboards using asset management software for "Garfield the Movie".
- Scheduled and documented story and editorial meetings.

Assistant Animator/Video Producer - Kohlitz Animation 2019 - 2022 & Video Production

- Coordinated Faber Piano project animation notes and revisions, ensuring adherence to updates using project management program.
- Supported in video production projects in a variety of project types including editing, subtitling, camera assistance, and teleprompter work.

Native English Teacher - Amity Teachers (Japan)

2018 - 2019

- Facilitated and organized events, seminars, and classes for students leading to 25% increase in student attendance.
- Utilized creativity and discipline to engage students across varying fluencies and ages.

Intern - Kyoto College of Arts & Crafts

2017

- Facilitated ESL lesson practice with college level students of varying fluencies within professional and conversational group settings.
- Coordinated with Head English Teacher daily for the entirety of internship for class preparation and lesson planning.
- Drafted sections of a bilingual presentation on Japanese architecture with upperclassmen students to be presented to school architecture faculty.

Cartoonist - The Michigan Daily

2016 - 2018

- Generated ideas for comic materials geared towards current events and opinions within a bi-weekly cartoon panel.
- Worked closely with editors and made corrections for formatting requirements necessary for online publication versus paper publication versions.