Melissa Beth Sumby

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EDUCATION

1998-2002

University of Central Florida - Orlando, FL - Art: Animation BA

RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT

February 2007 - present

Freelance – Lake Mary, FL

Commission work, differing on a client by client basis. Includes sketches, concepts, fully rendered images, turnarounds, labels, and comic strips. Mostly digital work, with some real media involved.

December 2012- January 2013

Illustrator – Texts From Parrots by Kristen Koller

Sketches and fully colored renderings based upon the author's words.

2011-2012

Inker - Prydwen: Gods & Monsters by Lynn Hogan

Refined the artist's rough sketches with digital ink, creating a finished work.

2012

Artist – Kitty Loves Monster

Contract art work for shirt design and merchandise design.

2012

*Artist – Con*Tact Caffeine*

Contract art work for label design.

2007-2011

Artist/Designer - Silver Moon Creations - Sanford, FL

Contract concept work, creating sketches, rendered works and product mockups of body jewelry, working closely with Product Director concerning concept development. Clients at this time included Hot Topic and Spencer's Gifts.

2001 - 2007

Caricature Artist - Universal Orlando resort & Walt Disney World resort - Orlando, FL

Creating quick, cartoony portraits at various theme park locations, while interacting with customers face to face.

References and Portfolio available upon request.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Working knowledge of Adobe Photoshop, Paint Tool Sai & Manga Studio Pro. Familiar with Adobe Illustrator
- Comfortable in both digital and traditional mediums
- Knowledge of current events and pop culture