



**Brian Oakley**  
art and illustration



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## SOFTWARE SKILLS

- Adobe Creative Cloud
- Figma
- Procreate
- Toon Boom Harmony
- Storyboard Pro
- Dragon Frame

## CREATIVE SKILLS

- Graphic Design
- Illustration
- Motion Design
- Storyboarding
- Character Design
- 2D Animation
- Stop Motion Animation
- Puppet Fabrication

## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Creative Problem Solving
- Strong Communication
- Passionate
- Innovative
- Collaborative
- Adaptable

## PROFILE

Creative and collaborative designer, illustrator and animator with a passion for telling stories and creating engaging content.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Digital Designer at The Home Depot — Jan. 2023 – Current

- Lead content page designer as well as responsible for creating animations, iconography and illustrations for specialized projects.

### Freelance Animator — May 2024 – Aug. 2025

- Storyboarded, designed and animated a series of scenes for a documentary.

### Creative Designer at HD Supply — Dec. 2021 – Dec. 2022

- Responsible for working on collateral, direct mail, designing and coding on-site and landing page imagery, and email design and coding.

### Freelance Animator at Jellyfish Smack Productions — Oct. 2021 – Dec. 2022

- Storyboarded, designed and animated a series of scenes for the award winning documentary *Traces, Voices of the Second Generation*.

### Freelance Illustrator for Rebecca Miller — Oct. 2021 – Jan. 2022

- Illustrated a STEM children's books called *Aurora and the Lost Chip*.

### Graphic Designer at The Home Depot Pro — Jul. 2018 – Dec. 2021

- Responsible for working on collateral, catalogs, trade show videos, animations, iconography and illustrations for specialized projects.

### Freelance Illustrator at Kennetic Productions — Nov. 2020 – Mar. 2021

- Storyboarded, designed and illustrated characters and backgrounds for a series of motion graphics pieces.

### Freelance Animator at Watch & Key Studio — Nov. 2020 – Dec. 2020

- Created hand drawn fire animation loops for a commercial project.

### Freelance Illustrator for Patsy Burdine — Dec. 2016 – Nov. 2017

- Illustrated two children's books called *Miracle of Moe* and *Stella & Moe's Big Adventure*.

### Freelance Illustrator for Andrea McGee – Sep. 2017

- Designed and illustrated a poster for a screenplay submission for the Shriekfest Horror Film Festival.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Adjunct Instructor at Florida State College at Jacksonville — 2017 – Present

- Currently instructing classes in digital media including graphic design, illustration, visual development and motion graphics.

### Lead Faculty at The Art Institute of Jacksonville — 2010 – 2017

- Instructed classes in motion graphics, storyboarding, maquette construction, 2D animation and Toon Boom digital animation.

## EDUCATION

### Master of Arts – Animation with a focus in Stop Motion

Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, Georgia – 2007

### Bachelor of Fine Arts – Animation, Graphic Design Minor

Savannah College of Art and Design– Savannah, Georgia – 2005