



# RICHELLE L. COWAN

Illustration / Concept Artist

## PRIME DIRECTIVE

To boldly become an integral part of a larger whole to help create vast and amazing worlds for audiences to immerse in new adventures!

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Innovation Theory

Art/Creative Director (& Illustration)

June 2021- Present

Art/Design, Illustration, Pre-production/Concept, and Narrative. Working in 2D both traditional and digital. Helping maintain cohesion and efficiency in the team for various projects passing through the art stream! As a company we work on anything from website and branding to product and marketing for clients- bringing their whole vision to fruition!

### Drawaholics Anonymous

Member/ Leadership/ Administrator

July 2017- Present

Completed the 2,500 successfully and obtained life-time membership. Welcomed into the excellent Leadership team shortly after. Have since developed much of the community to be online friendly and leveled up administration systems. Assisted branding and professional appearance for the community that is continuously to growing. Remote.\*

### Academy of Art University

Student Success/ Illustration Peer Mentor

August 2020- June 2021

Working under the Campus Life program to be a resource for fellow students. Meeting with new and current students to help them navigate overcoming their own unique challenges providing them with the strongest foot forward on their journey. As a guest mentor; appeared at a handful of live Illustration Department Panels. Fully remote.\*

### London Pupae Supplies

Lab/Distribution Assistant

Seasonal: August 2020- Present

Assisting with the importing and distribution of live tropical butterfly specimens. Assuring orders are filled to quality standards and packed just right to ensure the pupae have a safe trip to their new homes at Zoos and Museums around the country. Seasonal work and occasional exhibit work contracts.\*

### Hospitality

Various Positions/ Various Locations

July 2008- August 2016

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## SKILLS AND PROGRAMS

Illustration

Concept Art

Narrative Art

Traditional and Digital

Writing (Script and Fiction)

Team Player

Leadership

Enjoys Learning

Easily Trainable

Flexible in Projects

Punctual/Communicates

Nerd



## EDUCATION & ACHIEVEMENTS

### Academy of Art University

BFA Illustration Undergrad

Spring 2016- Spring 2021

Fantasy, Concept Art, Narrative, Writing

GPA: 3.3

### AAU Spring Show 2020 & 2021

Game Development Gallery:

Digital Figure Painting, '20

Character Design, '21

### Drawaholics Anonymous

2,500 Challenge & Leadership

### Honor Society

Nominated and Inducted 3/2021