

Sarah Schanze

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Experience

Visual Designer, June 2008–June 2017

k12 Inc., Herndon, VA

- ◇ Led IMA/Grade 6 Math and High School Fine Arts course, creating 100+ assets.
- ◇ One of the primary designers for award-winning “Embark12” and “Noodleverse”.
- ◇ Created black and white and color illustrations for print media, including *Classics for Young Readers* and *Kindergarten Treasury*.
- ◇ Illustrated *Stowaway*, a thirty page graphic novel for print and online publication. Designed the characters and props and setting.
- ◇ Built hundreds of Flash-based assets for dozens of courses such as educational slideshows and review activities incorporating media, illustration, and animation.
- ◇ Constructed media-rich and responsive web assets that complied with accessibility standards.
- ◇ Collaborated with instructional designers, print designers, and project managers to complete courses and assets efficiently.

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- ◇ Sole creator of long-running webcomic incorporating outside research, character design, writing, layout and pacing, and story development.
- ◇ Maintained steady update schedule and kept personal deadlines.
- ◇ Launched a successful Kickstarter where 196 backers raised over \$7,000 to print the Volume One graphic novel collecting the first five online chapters.

Technical Skills

- ◇ Photoshop
- ◇ Illustrator
- ◇ InDesign
- ◇ Flash/Animate
- ◇ Brackets
- ◇ Procreate
- ◇ Microsoft Suite
- ◇ HTML, CSS

Extracurriculars

- ◇ Tabled at commercial cons Emerald City Comic Con, AwesomeCon, Small Press Expo
- ◇ Tabled at volunteer cons Cas Con, Chantilly Comic Con
- ◇ Designed display table and created further merchandise such as stickers, prints, posters, and buttons.

Education

The Art Institute of Washington, Arlington, VA

- ◇ Bachelors of Fine Arts degree in Media Arts and Animation
- ◇ Graduated Magna Cum Laude, December 2007
- ◇ Awards: Merit Scholarship, Dean’s List, Washingtonian Award