# NICK A. ERICKSON

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# **ANIMATOR / DIGITAL ARTIST / STORYTELLER**

# EMPHASIS: CHARACTER & EFFECTS ANIMATION, DIGITAL PAINTING, STORYBOARDING

### **AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

2D Animation Visual Development Character Design Character & Effects Animation
Digital Painting & Illustration
Traditional Painting

Toon Boom Harmony Adobe Creative Suite Storyboard Pro

### **EDUCATION**

SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN, Savannah, GA Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree, Emphasis in Animation, Graduated Cum Laude 2018

### **Relevant Coursework:**

Animation | Illustration | Writing | Public Speaking | Performing Arts | Psychology | Art History

### **EXPERIENCE**

FINE ARTIST, Phoenix, AZ

Jun 2022 - Present

### Self Employed

- Fine art acrylic and multimedia painter for hyperrealist, collector-quality artwork, representation by Moné Art Gallery.
- Exhibiting original artwork in Phoenix Art Museum, Scottsdale Ferrari Art Fair, and FOUND:RE Art Gallery.
- Collaborating with curators and editors-in-chief for successful exhibitions and editorial magazine features.

## NICKELODEON ANIMATION STUDIO, Burbank, CA

Aug - Oct 2023

### Assistant Animator - Freelance

- Using Toon Boom Harmony to create highlights and shadows on characters and props for *The Casagrandes Movie*.
- Reporting directly to Animation Director and Production Coordinators to deliver final film on schedule.
- Quality of work earned *The Casagrandes Movie* several nominations at the 39<sup>th</sup> Imagen Awards.

## BENTO BOX ENTERTAINMENT, Atlanta, GA

July 2019 - June 2022

#### **Animator**

- Delivering high-quality 2D character and effects animations for several TV shows and online content.
- Character Animator, Character Designer, and Digital Painter for Fox prime time and Animation Domination.
- Collaborating with Animation Directors to complete animations for Netflix, Fox, Hulu, Apple TV+, and HBO Max.

HASBRO INC., Pawtucket, RI

June 2018 - April 2019

## **Associate Digital Artist**

- Harmony animator for TV commercials and social media for Lost Kitties, My Little Pony, Yellies, and Trivial Pursuit.
- Collaborating with Writers, Storyboarders, and Digital Artists to complete promotional projects for Hasbro's brands.
- Drafting storyboards for the promotion of Hasbro's influence on families and pop culture.

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## **HONORS & AWARDS**

- Vanguard Awards 2025, "Best in Show" of the Vanguard Showcase, presented by Eric Fischl and Phoenix College.
- Create! Magazine 2025, Featured artist in Issue 49, including artist statement, interview, and biography.
- **The Webby Awards** 2022, Honoree in Social Television and Film (Series and Campaigns) for Fox's *The Masked Singer: Behind the Mask Series with Nicole Scherzinger*, Fox Entertainment/Bento Box Entertainment.
- The Red Dot Design Awards 2017/2018, Communication Design "Best of the Best Award", International Red Dot Jury for original illustration *Just a Bite*.
- **3x3 International Illustration Awards** 2018, Certificate of Merit, International Panel of judges for original illustration *Just a Bite*.
- Awareness Film Festival 2018, Official Selection for original animated short film *Hyperspeed*.

### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Toon Boom Harmony | Storyboard Pro | Adobe Photoshop | After Effects | Premiere Pro | Illustrator