SARAH CONNER

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CAREER SUMMARY

Passionate artist with a zest for turning imaginative ideas into compelling concepts through visual storytelling
Ability to draw in various styles while versatile in both traditional and digital art

 Optimistic thinker with an optimistic, can-do attitude and thirst for learning new skills

SKILLS

Photoshop Watercolor Toonboom Pen and ink

After Effects Acrylic

Premiere Pro Oil

Maya Printmaking
Google Suite Sculpture

EDUCATION

School Of Visual Arts, New York, NY Continuing Education

Weekly online classes to develop skills in background illustration to create concept art environments for live action and animated films

January 2023

Montclair State University, Montclair, NJ Bachelor Of Fine Arts, Illustration

GPA 3.95, Summa Cum Laude, Academic Dean's list, Golden Key International Honour Society, National Society Of Leadership And Success

Sept 2017 - June 2021

Society Of Illustrators Sketch Night, New York, NY

Weekly sketch nights practicing gesture and studying the figure with timed poses while exploring different media and drawing techniques

May 2019 - Sept 2019

EXPERIENCE

Walt Disney World® Resort, Orlando, FL Attractions Trainer at Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge

Jan 2023 - Present

- Approach training experiences with patience and confidence; understanding learning styles and personalities to accommodate each trainee accordingly
- Recognize Cast and hold them accountable for delivering excellence in our Five Keys: safety, courtesy, show, efficiency, and inclusion
- Commitment to excellence and working in the operation daily, which includes interacting with Guests and Cast Members and resolving any issues
- Partner closely and collaborate with leadership team to drive and deliver daily results

Walt Disney World® Resort, Orlando, FL

Attractions Cast Member at Star Wars: Galaxy's Edge

- Immerse Guests into theming by upholding show quality standards through special use of themed language, carrying out attraction's story, and creating a character backstory
- Communicate with 40+ Cast Members through intercom to maintain efficient flow loading and unloading 15,000-20,000 Guests daily
- Demonstrate professionalism and maturity in a fast paced, high volume environment
- Exceed Guest expectations in a manner that yields results and positive Guest feedback

Walt Disney World® Resort, Orlando, FL

Jan 2020 - Mar 2020

Disney College Program Attractions Cast Member

- Direct up to 1,000 Guests hourly through queue and appoint them to particular locations in theatre within a 15 minute window before show begins
- Display strong multitasking, time management skills with close attention to detail
- Communicate with a team of 10+ Cast Members through radio to maintain efficient Guest flow
- Demonstrate strong verbal and problem solving skills with courtesy towards Guest's questions

One River School Of Art+Design, Englewood, NJ

Sept 2019 - Jan 2021

Administrative Assistant

- In conjunction with Creative Director, assist team in areas related to inventory, supplies, customer service, enrollment, graphic design, marketing, etc.
- Respond to phone calls and emails in a professional manner and take detailed messages
- Create a strong connection with students and parents to ensure highest level of satisfaction
- Entrusted by director to open and close school independently and complete checklists
- Provide availability and willingness to be flexible with work schedules

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Sept 2019 - Jan 2021

Art Teacher Assistant

- Assist instructor with studio and digital art classes of 18 students from pre-k to high school
- Educate students on project's curriculum, introduce them to new art styles and materials, and ensure they are enjoying the art making process
- Develop a clear understanding of project objective and adhere to weekly guidelines to finish in time for exhibitions and student art shows
- Demonstrate a passion for quality student outcomes and provide individualized coaching to assist students in reaching creative goals

Oct 2021 -Present