



# JULES PREMUS

CONCEPT ART & CHARACTER DESIGN  
PORTFOLIO: [JULESPREMUS.COM](http://JULESPREMUS.COM)



iguanadonis



julesiguana@  
gmail.com



860.307.8720

## PANELS

HOST / PRESENTER  
2023 OWL FILM  
FESTIVAL @ KSU

INCLUSION IN  
ANIMATION  
FAST FILM FESTIVAL  
2020 @ GEORGIA TECH

REVIEWER  
ASIFAC VIRTUAL  
ANIMATION FESTIVAL  
2020

S3R3 REVIEWER  
SIGGRAPH 2020

ALUMNI VOICES PANEL  
SCAD ANIMATION  
FEST 2019

CHARACTER DESIGN  
WORKSHOP HOST  
ASIFA-SOUTH MIXER  
2019

## SKILLS

Adobe Creative Suite  
Microsoft Suite  
Google Suite  
HTML/CSS Basics  
ToonBoom Harmony  
Storyboard Pro  
Graphic Design & UI  
Illustration & Branding

## PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT

I am a dedicated character designer and college professor with over 5 years of experience in the animation industry, having contributed to high-profile projects with renowned studios including Marvel, Sony, Bento Box, and Netflix. Skilled in both creative direction and mentorship, I have a proven track record of designing compelling characters and fostering dynamic learning environments for students. My approach blends leadership, innovation, and inclusivity, ensuring collaboration and growth both in the classroom and on the job.

## CORE QUALIFICATIONS

- Collegiate Syllabus Design
- Course Creation
- Midterm and Final Grade Reviews
- In-Person Lectures and Demos
- Online Modality
- Student Mentorship and Tutoring
- Commitment to Inclusion
- Strategic Project Planning
- Fostering a Positive Environment
- Character & Prop Design
- Illustration & Concept Art
- Comics & Sequential Art
- Adobe Creative Suite
- Google Suite
- Microsoft Suite
- Clip Studio Paint Pro
- Toon Boom Harmony
- Storyboard Pro

## EDUCATION

**MASTER OF ARTS - SEQUENTIAL ART**  
SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN (SCAD) / 2016 - 2018

**BACHELOR OF ARTS - ENGLISH (CREATIVE WRITING)**  
FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY / 2013 - 2016

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### INSTRUCTOR OF DIGITAL ANIMATION & ILLUSTRATION KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY

JANUARY 2022 - PRESENT / KENNESAW, GA

- Designed and delivered engaging lesson plans for large classes (45-80 students per semester), including Concept Art, Character Design, History of Illustration, Digital Animation Production, Senior Reel, and Studio courses.
- Taught both synchronous in-person classes and asynchronous online modalities. Pioneered the development of Concept Art 1 & 2 and History of Illustration for online modality, enhancing accessibility for remote students and enabling accelerated graduation timelines.
- Created and launched a specialized Summer Intensive course in Creature Design, expanding the curriculum and fostering student interest in niche aspects of animation. Led a clay maquette building demo.
- Cultivated a dynamic and inclusive classroom environment that supported student growth, confidence, and creativity.
- Co-hosted the KSU Owl Film Festival, fostering community engagement and promoting student work within the industry.



iguanadonis



julesiguana@gmail.com



860.307.8720

## PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

**JENNA ZONA**  
SCAD FACULTY  
201-835-7022  
jzona@scad.edu

**KATE SHERRON**  
SCAD FACULTY  
314-973-7982  
ksherron@scad.edu

**RASHAD DOUCET**  
SCAD FACULTY  
rdoucet@scad.edu

**CHRIS MALONE**  
KSU FACULTY  
703-801-3032  
cmalon19@kennesaw.edu

**ELLE DIEAL**  
SONY PRODUCTION  
COORDINATOR  
856-630-6777  
edieal@spanimation.com

**AMY TAYLOR**  
BENTO BOX  
PRODUCTION  
COORDINATOR  
770-845-3310  
amy.taylor@bentoatl.com

**LISA FERRELL**  
PRODUCTION  
COORDINATOR  
678-895-5790  
lisa@lisaferrellproductions.com

**GINGER TONTAVEETONG**  
SLOTHIQUE DIRECTOR  
404-229-9227  
tontaveetong@gmail.com

## WORK EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED)

### LEAD CHARACTER DESIGNER SONY PICTURES ANIMATION

MARCH 2021 - DECEMBER 2022 / REMOTE FOR L.A.

- Designed featured characters, expressions, turnarounds, and action poses for *Young Love*, the animated series on HBO Max based on the Oscar-winning short film *Hair Love*.
- Provided critical feedback and draw-overs for other designers, fostering a collaborative team culture and ensuring design consistency across the project. Held meetings remotely with studios in multiple timezones.
- Delivered high-quality character layouts and specialized shots, ensuring designs were animation-ready and aligned with the series' artistic vision.

### CHARACTER AND PROP DESIGNER BENTO BOX ENTERTAINMENT

DECEMBER 2020 - MARCH 2022 / ATLANTA, GA

- Designed characters, expressions, turnarounds, mouth charts, action poses, costumes, vehicles, and props for Seriously Digital's *Best Fiends* short films.
- Helped build community with the team. Collaborated with international coworkers in different timezones.

### SEQUENTIAL ART ALUMNI MENTOR SCAD SAVANNAH

OCTOBER 2020 - MAY 2021 / ATLANTA, GA

- Provided mentorship to a group of 12 students from SCAD's Sequential Art program, delivering personalized guidance on character design, concept art, and professional portfolio development.
- Designed and led workshops on industry-standard techniques, equipping students with the skills and confidence to pursue careers in animation and design.
- Conducted portfolio reviews and virtual classroom visits, supporting students' professional growth while advocating for inclusive practices and diverse voices in the industry.
- Collaborated with faculty members to monitor and support student progress, ensuring alignment between academic goals and career outcomes.

### CHARACTER DESIGNER & LAYOUT ARTIST MARVEL STUDIOS / FLOYD COUNTY PRODUCTIONS

JULY 2019 - JANUARY 2021 / ATLANTA, GA

- Designed a wide range of characters, props, expressions, turnarounds, mouth charts, tattoos, and action poses for Marvel's *Hit-Monkey*.
- Worked closely with directors and animators to create detailed crowd shot layouts and ensure seamless integration into the animation pipeline.
- Designed animals and creatures, with a focus on macaques for layout.

### COMIC ARTIST & GRAPHIC DESIGNER NETFLIX / SCHOOL OF HUMANS

SEPTEMBER 2018 - JULY 2019 / ATLANTA, GA

- Designed, illustrated, and colored a three-page comic in a vintage 1930s art style for *The Liberator* series on Netflix, featured in close-up of the main character reading.
- Created texture designs for helmets and other assets, ensuring they matched the show's distinctive Trioscope style while maintaining historical accuracy.
- Developed dynamic pitch materials, graphics, and presentation assets for additional series, helping to secure project buy-ins from major stakeholders.



iguanadonis



julesiguana@gmail.com



860.307.8720

## TRAINING

ONLINE COURSE  
DESIGN TRAINING  
KSU DIGITAL  
LEARNING INSTITUTE

## PERSONAL PROJECTS

GRAPHIC NOVEL  
DEVELOPMENT  
RIVETS

GRAPHIC NOVEL  
DEVELOPMENT  
JENO OF THE  
RAPTORS

PLEIN AIR STUDIES  
CONNECTICUT  
WINTER

STAR TREK TOS  
ZINE HISTORY CLUB

MEMOIR POETRY ZINE  
THE CHAINLINK  
FAERIES

## WORK EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED)

### CHARACTER DESIGNER

#### RISE-HOME STORIES PROJECT / SLOTHIQUE ANIMATION

OCTOBER 2020 - NOVEMBER 2020 / REMOTE

- Designing main character lineup for short film titled, *Mine*, shown at the Tribeca Film Festival and New Orleans Film Festival.
- Studying and incorporating themes of sustainability and planetary survival into costume and prop planning.
- Creating variants and background characters for layout artists.

### EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

#### SCAD STUDENT MEDIA - HONEYDRIPPER

MARCH 2017 - MARCH 2018 / SAVANNAH, GA

- Overseeing publication of SCAD's juried comics and illustration blog dedicated to publishing, promoting, and showcasing the finest in student work. Representing SCAD at campus events. Supervising team of staff, producing weekly comics, updating web design, managing social media.
- Designing portraiture for SCAD commencement speaker John Malkovich.

### LIBRARY DIRECTOR

#### MEADE FAMILY LIBRARY

MAY 2016 - DECEMBER 2016 / SOUTHLINGTON, CT

- Oversaw the development and management of the Meade Family Library's summer program, providing creative reading and writing programs for students in grades K-9. Designed and implemented vibrant wall art and interactive book displays to enhance the library environment.

### FREELANCE DESIGNER

#### THREE FATES COMICS LLC

- Designed samurai characters and assets for *The Duel* by Will Maciejewski.
- Painted landscapes for Rosso Film International's *Le Rêve Secret*.
- Coloring indie comic *Romeo x Julien* by Mary Dumas and Bettina Kurkoski.

## COLLEGE COURSE DESIGN

### KSU - ART 4036 - ONLINE MODALITY

#### CONCEPT ART 1

1. Episode Concept Project - Students design a "vacation" or "holiday" episode of a preexisting show where the characters go to new environments with new costumes and props. Must be on model with the show's design sheets.
2. Creature Design - Students study animal anatomy and create a scientific illustration / painterly rendering of a brand new species they design.
3. Storefront - Students design a two-story storefront in which the storeowner works on the first floor and lives on the second. Students learn to tell character through environment and design workplace vs. residential.

### KSU - ART 4037 - ONLINE MODALITY

#### CONCEPT ART 2

1. Rise of the Mech - Students design an anthropomorphic machine (either a robot or a mech) through an intensive study of mechanical shape language and the major human joints.
2. Fall of the Mech - Students render a painterly scene depicting the crumbled ruins of their robot or mech surrounded by an overgrown, abandoned environment, either on land or underwater
3. User Interface - Students make title cards, keyframes, and assets for a fictional video game, including non-diegetic, diegetic, spatial, and meta assets.