

AARON M. POWELL

Visual Development Artist · 2D Illustrator · Storyboard Artist
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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Self-driven Visual Development Artist and 2D Illustrator with 7+ years of freelance experience in character design, storyboarding, and independent film production. Trained in animation and visual development through vocational certificate program. Brings specialized expertise in anime/manga aesthetics, animatics, and VTuber content. Known for hyper-focused work ethic and strong attention to production quality. Seeking entry-level or internship opportunities with a creative studio or production company.

CORE SKILLS

Visual Development: Character Design · Visual Storytelling · World Building · Animatics

Illustration: 2D / Anime / Manga Style · Original IP Creation · Superheroes & Villains

Production: Storyboarding · Video Editing · VTuber Content · Creative Direction

Technical: Blender (3D) · Camera Operation · Props & Costume Fabrication

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Freelance Illustrator & Content Creator | 2018 – Present

- Develop storyboards and animatics for short film and creative productions
- Provide creative direction and concept development for independent film and art initiatives
- Build and maintain an ongoing client-facing portfolio showcasing 2D illustration and character design

Actor, Voice Actor & Production Crew | 2018 – Present

- Design and fabricate props and costumes for independent film productions
- Provide voice acting, on-set illustration support, and general production assistance
- Operate camera equipment and assist with creative direction on set

EDUCATION & TRAINING

AFA Hub — Certificate, Film & Media | 2022 – 2025

- Specialized vocational training in animation and visual development
- Student of the Month: November 2022, October 2024

West Valley High School — High School Diploma | 2010 – 2013

ADDITIONAL

- Actively pursuing entry-level and internship placements with animation studios and production companies
- Available for remote or hybrid work; open to temp, contract, and freelance engagements
- Portfolio available upon request — includes character sheets, storyboards, and animatics