



ABOUT ME

I am a Long Beach, CA-based illustrator with a Turkish background, I have a deep passion for drawing animals, nature, and people that I encounter in life. I pursued my passion by obtaining a degree in the Illustration/Animation program at California State University Long Beach. Since then, I have been actively engaged in developing children's books, teaching art while also pursuing a career in visual development.

I love ...

CATS
FOOD
PLANTS
COLORS
BUNNIES
CONCERTS
TRAVELING
TEA/COFFEE

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WORK HISTORY

ART INSTRUCTOR - FACULTY

Santiago Canyon College
Santa Ana, CA 2023-Current

Part-time faculty member instructing a diverse range of art classes, including Watercolor and Basics of Drawing and painting within the Older Adult Program. Additionally supported students with various backgrounds, including those with dementia, in completing artworks in a calm and patient manner.

Art Instructor

Exceptional Children's Foundation
San Pedro CA 2023-Current

Mentored adult artists with disabilities, including autism, Down Syndrome, and physical disabilities, providing guidance and support in both artistic techniques and personal development.

Graphic Designer

California State University Long Beach
Long Beach, CA 2020-2023

Made custom illustrations for various departments on campus. Developed creative design for print materials, brochures, banners and signs. Created layouts, concepts, and designs for different promotional materials. Made unique logos for campus departments.

Front Desk At Intl. Student Services

California State University Long Beach
Long Beach, CA 2019-2022

Performed data entry. Assisted and mentored other students. Greeted guests at front desk and engaged in pleasant conversations while maintaining check-in process.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts: Illustration

SUB PLAN : Pre-Production

California State University Long Beach
August 2018 - May 2023

MY SKILLS

Adobe Suite
Art composition
Sequential Imagery
Graphic and media design
Visual Development
Project management
Microsoft Office
Print design and illustration

