

**grace marie suarez** illustrator // animator // graphic designer

## CONTACT INFO

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### EDUCATION

### **University of Texas at Dallas**

Richardson, Texas, USA MA ATEC | 2018

### **University for the Creative Arts**

Farnham, Surrey, England
BA Animation | 2013
Foundation Arts Diploma | 2010

### **AWARDS**

# **CSU Summer Arts 2016** | Monterrey Bay, CA, USA *July 2016*

Selected to receive a scholarship for the "Nickelodeon: An Overview From Development To Pitch" class at Calstate Monterrey Bay, hosted jointly by CTN and Nickelodeon. We developed and produced television pitch bibles and worked with several Nickelodeon studio artists

## MULTIMEDIA SKILLS

Adobe Photoshop Adobe Illustrator Adobe After Effects Adobe Premiere Microsoft Office Gamemaker Studio Drawing Tablet (Wacom) Traditional Media

## **MORK EXPERIENCE**

## **Gearbox Publishing** | Frisco, TX, USA User Research Playtest Intern, May 2019

Provided articulate and concise feedback on an unreleased videogame project over a two-week period.

# **iD Software** | Richardson, TX, USA Daily Play Tester, *April 2019*

Volunteered and unpaid session providing feedback on an unreleased videogame project.

### Immersive Realm LLC | Plano, TX, USA

Co-Owner, September 2018 - Current

Creative editing for marketing and image generation as well as lead advisor for gaming direction and acquisition. Also co-lead for on-site tech demonstrations and customer interactions.

#### **Brash3D** | Bogota, Colombia Creative Liaison, *October 2017 - Current*

Creative practices researcher and creative direction developer for multimedia projects including animation, video games, and marketing.

## **Gearbox Software** | Frisco, TX, USA Daily Play Tester, July 2016 - Current

Volunteered and unpaid sessions providing feedback on upcoming videogame projects, product design and marketing campaigns.

### Mr. Parcel | Plano, TX, USA Sales Associate, May 2016 - Current

Part-time sales associate at a family-owned pack-and-ship store. Responsibilities include safely packing customers' items for transport, selecting the ideal carrier and service, and maintaining the shop as needed.

#### Frederator Networks, Inc. | Plano, TX, USA Freelance Researcher, October 2015 - March 2016

Research and write up weekly scripts for the 107 Facts! videos for the Frederator YouTube channel. Verify facts' authenticity, pronunciation, and write each fact as it would be performed.

### Rockfish Interactive | Frisco, TX, USA

Motion Graphics Intern, April 2015 - August 2015

Collaborated with a creative team on motion graphic design, email design, and character design, as well as 2D frame-by-frame animation in Photoshop CC.

### **Panopticon**

Concept Artist, August 2016 - May 2017

In a specialized Master's program production lab, generated illustrations and 2D concepts for a puzzle-platformer video game, including character art and preliminary level designs. Also produced promotional posters for beta launch day.