Lovietta Simpkins

Creative Consultant & Artist

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Highly skilled Illustrator, Concept Artist, Storyboard Artist, Graphic Designer, Fine Artist, Web Designer, and Brand Developer. She is in the business of creating solutions, sharing her vivid imagination and always encouraging other creatives to challenge themselves. Lovietta is Open for Collaboration and Employment Opportunities.

Website: http://www.loviettasimpkins.com/

Willing to relocate: Anywhere

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

Work Experience

Storyboard Artist

Ground Hero Film - Santa Monica, CA January 2018 to Present

Working with Ground Hero Film on their upcoming Production. Using the script to create custom concepts, storyboards, sequential images and illustrations for a upcoming film.

Food Service Trainee

Inspiration Kitchens - Chicago, IL December 2017 to Present

Inspiration Corporation's food service training program. Hands-on training in the food service industry. As a trainee I perform and learn about everyday kitchen procedures. I actively engage in culinary math and knife skills. I've also worked with various recipes creating dishes in the kitchen with Vegetables, Grains, Soup, Sauces, Eggs, Dairy, Various Meats, Poultry, Fish and other Seafood. I've also participated in baking various dishes, working with different types of dough, pasta making, batters and creams. I worked alongside the catering team and restaurant staff. I also worked the dish pit and performed the duties of a dish washer, by washing and sanitizing various items in the restaurant.

Contributing Artist & Exhibitor

Trap door Theatre - Chicago, IL November 2017 to Present

Contributing Artist for Trap Door Theatre's, "They," directed by Beata Pilch.

They tragically examines how the beauty in love and art is poisoned by the toxic remedy of normalization and the destruction of freedom and imagination. The play is currently recommended for the Jeff Awards.

Professional Website Designer

Lovietta Simpkins Artist - Chicago, IL March 2009 to Present

I construct in-depth navigational systems for websites through initial wireframing, which hosts the start up page, the background info page, through a series of different types of work (art and photography). Plus I adhere to UX / UI Deisgn strategies, and also administer viewer testing, for the site, set up e-commerce where applicable and develop mobile capabilities that can integrate simply.

Creative Consultant & Artist

Lovietta Simpkins Artist - Chicago, IL May 2008 to Present

Highly skilled Illustrator, Concept Artist, Storyboard Artist, Graphic Designer, and Fine Artist. My imagination is vast and so is my technical skill and style. Open for collaboration and employment opportunities. Other skills include: Interpersonal skills, Organization, Leadership, Adaptability, Problem Solver, Innovative, Professionalism, PC & Mac Platforms, Microsoft word, PowerPoint, Excel, Graphic Design, Website Visual Design, UX / UI Design, 11yrs. Skilled in Adobe Illustrator & Photoshop, 11yrs. InDesign, 11yrs. Adobe After Effects, Final Cut Pro, Cyberlink PowerDirector 11, Sony DVD Architect Studio, Editorial, Illustration Fine Art, Storyboards, Concept, Character, Fashion, Typography, Photo Retouching, and Interactive Media Editorial Art, Comics, Character, Fashion, Photography & Retouching, Typography, Abstraction & Painting

Project Manager

Branch of Women's March On Washington - Chicago, IL November 2016 to January 2018

As the Project Manager I am responsible for the initiation, planning, design, execution, monitoring, controlling and closure of the project. I've designed the website, set up the payment gateway, and managed data lists. I have also helped organize the bus arrangements, and developed the base itinerary with the Event Coordinator.

Solo Art Exhibitor

Munch Restaurant - Oak Park, IL October 2017 to December 2017

Featured Solo Art Exhibition at Munch Restaurant.

Live Painter The Canvas Project | Live Event

Lincolnwood Town Center - Lincolnwood, IL November 2017 to November 2017

November 2017 to November 2017

Live Painting a 60x40 Canvas marking the grand opening of the Artisan Market, with another Chicagoland Artist inside the Lincolnwood Town Center.

Amazon Fresh Associate

Amazon - Wood Dale, IL October 2017 to November 2017

Main functions include Quality Assurance, Food Inspection, Warehouse Stocking & Distribution of inbound products, consumables, and other shipments for Amazon and their affiliates.

Secretary

General Masonry Construction, Inc. - Northbrook, IL June 2017 to June 2017

Position requires High attention to detail, time management and self-management capabilities, including adhering to a schedule and meeting deadlines and working directly with the company President. Maintaining & updating client records and cataloging projects, preparing project estimates, delivering emails, answering phone calls and preparing mail correspondence. Developing graphic design solutions, for company events, brand design, various projects,

social media platforms, and advertising. Proivide office maintenance and equipment repairs when applicable, faxing, printing and copying.

Tools: Windows PC, Microsoft Office Programs (Word, Publisher, Outlook, Excel, and PowerPoint) Adobe Creative Suite Programs (Photoshop, Illustrator and Indesign)

Art Exhibitor

SFMOMA San Francisco Museum of Modern Art - San Francisco, CA June 2017 to June 2017

Art Exhibitor for the, "UNAUTHORIZED SFMOMA SHOW," numbers 476, 482, 487, and 500.

Art Exhibitor

Fulton Street Collective - Chicago, IL October 2016 to October 2016

Exhibited artwork for Hubbard Street Lofts Open house, Group Show. Assisted in Curating, Artwork Installation. I showcased two pieces sized at 16 x 20. My works represented Color Theory, Abstraction & Illustration.

Art Exhibitor

Fulton Street Collective - Chicago, IL August 2016 to September 2016

Freelance Art Exhibitor for Fulton Street Collective. Showcased Six sets of work for a private event hosted in one of FSC's loft spaces in September. The work selected was curated and my fine art was labeled for sale in both original format and in print. Canvas Sizes ranged from 16 x 20 to 24 x 24 inches. My works represented Expressionism, Abstraction & Illustration.

Painter & Volunteer

Fulton Street Collective - Chicago, IL August 2016 to August 2016

Painter & Volunteer for Fulton Street Collective event at it's Paulina Branch & Loft Space. Worked with the onsite contractor to Prep the Loft for an upcoming event.

Lead Transportation Security Officer

Department of Homeland Security - Chicago, IL February 2015 to June 2016

As a Lead Transportation Security Officer (LTSO) for TSA, I am responsible for leading full-performance level Transportation Security Officers (TSOs), and as assigned, trainee and apprentice level TSOs. As an LTSO, I have to identify, distribute, and balance workloads and tasks among employees in accordance with established workflow and skill level. I also must make adjustments to accomplish the workload in accordance with established priorities. Duties may include but are not limited to:

Providing input to supervisors and managers concerning a variety of human resources matters including, but not limited to, employee performance, promotions, reassignments, awards, etc.

Implementing security screening procedures in accordance with TSA objectives and directives.

Assisting with investigations of incidents, and preparing incident reports or other documents that convey required information. Responding to breaches of security and emergency situations. Training team members, monitoring and reporting on the status and progress of work, and representing the team in communications with the supervisor or manager for the purpose of obtaining resources via computer hardware and software.

Performing Daily System maintenance and Calibrations on screening equipment, Conducting Alarm Resolution, Critical Thinking and Strategic Problem Solving, Opening and Closing Lanes Ranging from 1 to 8, Developing Mod Set Rotations and Peer to Peer Engagement, Conflict Resolution, and Colleague to Passenger Mediator, Passenger Identity verification, TSSE Correspondence, Real Time Threat Assessment Protocol, Risk Based Security, TSA Pre-Check Screening Procedure, Managed Inclusion I and II Procedure, Known Crew Member Screening, Maintain Exit Protocol, Breach Drills, TSO Liaison, Safety and Resolution, Crowd Control and Passenger Flow Management and Trainer.

Implements security-screening procedures that are central to Transportation Security Administration (TSA) objectives and that will serve to protect the traveling public by preventing any deadly or dangerous objects from being transported onto an aircraft. Assists in conducting screening of passengers, baggage, and cargo. May be required to conduct screening at any airport that provides commercial services to the public. Assists in monitoring the flow of passengers through the screening checkpoint to facilitate the orderly and efficient processing of passengers. Maintains close communication with supervisors regarding any issues that might reveal a weakness or vulnerable area of security screening that is discovered in the course of screening duties. Participates in information briefings concerning security-sensitive or classified information.

Ability to learn the theories, dynamics, and factors underlying the aviation screening process to enable authoritative and independent handling of screening functions.

Proficiency in operating a various security equipment and job-related tools such as X-ray machines e.g., differences in hand wands, and other equipment across checkpoints, terminals, airports, etc.)

Ability to work with persons of diverse backgrounds, as well as the ability to communicate technical & non-technical information effectively to others.

Transportation Security Officer (TSO)

Department of Homeland Security (DHS) - Transportation Security Administration (TSA) - Chicago, IL February 2015 to April 2016

Responsibilities

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Customer Service Assistant

Chicago Transit Authority - Chicago, IL June 2013 to February 2015

Customer Service Assistant (CSA) position aids rail station customers in a variety of ways: Answering daily questions, helping customers with disabilities, acquiring updated elevator status info, making manual announcements about major service delays in travel, writing reports, as well as handling and reporting problems with station equipment and facilities. Must be able to multitask and maintain the ability to conduct yourself professionally and immediately in high pressured situations and emergencies. As a CSA we have to have strong verbal and written communications skills.

Info Specialist, Courier, Crowd Control Duty, Fare Box Operator & Comfort Relief

Technical Illustrator

Suki + Solaine - Chicago, IL July 2014 to August 2014

Responsibilities

Development & Creation of Fashion Flats for Suki + Solaine's current collection. Flats will be used on line sheets and also included in tech packs.

Skills Used

Technical Illustration & Graphic Design

Technical Illustrator & Concept Artist

Chic Du Sac : Sam - Chicago, IL September 2012 to May 2014

Working with a client's start-up business creating purses for production.

Artist, Painting & Prop Work

Illumivation Studios LLC. - Chicago, IL June 2013 to June 2013

Called in for overhire work as a Artist for painting and prop preparation on a Russian Ballet Doll set piece.

Illustrator & Graphic Designer

Clinton Johnson "Musician" - Chicago, IL February 2013 to April 2013

Custom graphic design solution using photo manipulation and illustration combined for local musician Clinton Johnsons' two upcoming albums.

Graphic Designer

Free life Productions - Chicago, IL January 2013 to February 2013

Logo Creation for marketing collateral.

Film Poster Artist & Designer

Faux Pas Films - Chicago, IL

December 2012 to January 2013

Create a custom Film Poster for independent film company Faux Pas Films' new production, "Cyclical Effect." Film poster listing http://www.imdb.com/title/tt2319813/

Customer Service Sales Floor Associate

Forman Mills - Chicago, IL

August 2011 to January 2013

My Achievements 2011-2012

- 1. Spot on Customer Service:
- i. Customer Support & Satisfaction
- ii. Customer Care
- iii. Problem Solver
- iv. Visual & Verbal Communications
- v. Interaction with Other Departments
- vi. Interpersonal Proficiency-
- 2. Maintaining an above satisfactory work environment
- 3. Executing Timely Price Checks
- 4. Merchandise Detailing
- i. Visual & Sales Appeal
- ii. Boost Consumer Sales (Sales Display Items & Non-Sales Displays)
- iii. Seasonal & Non-Seasonal Merchandise
- iv. Merchandise Management & Upkeep
- v. Mark Downs & Ticket Scanning
- 5. Ticket configuration
- i. Product Placement & Arrangement
- 6. Signage
- i. Designer
- ii. Basic
- iii. Promotional Sales Merchandise
- iv. Graphic Design
- v. Comprehensive Knowledge & Execution of Tasks using the Companies Software
- 7. Independent Projects:
- i. Graphic t-shirt Wall Design
- ii. Processing & Product Replenishment
- iii. Building Bins, Display Grids for Merchandise presentation
- iv. Bulk Sign Making
- v. Clothing Organization & Separation
- vi. Detailing In Other Departments
- vii. Shifting the Department & Display Rearrangement
- viii. Fixing Printer & Ticket Machine
- 8. Collaboration with Department Management & Sales Associate Colleagues
- i. Group Projects
- ii. Training
- iii. Department Maintenance
- iv. Coworker Appreciation
- 9. Departmental Development
- i. Pre-Construction
- ii. Stages of Arrangement & Improvement

iii. Sustaining the Department

Illustrator

Free life Productions - Chicago, IL September 2012 to October 2012

Poster Creation for Theatrical Stage Performance

Book Designer & Illustrator

MID WEST BODY WORKS - Chicago, IL September 2012 to October 2012

For this project I created a booklet for a client at Mid West Body Works for his joint mobilizations techniques. I utilized my skills as a graphic artist in order to concept and execute the total layout/formatting for the booklet, edited text, did typesetting, custom illustration, and printing instructions & production options. I also accomplished branding work, developing and creating my clients logo.

Co-Captain at Volunteer

Money that Matters Team - Chicago, IL August 2001 to September 2012

Light the Night Walk, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (2001 to Present) Title: Volunteer & Co. Captain of the Money That Matters Team Duty: Fundraising

Concept Artist & Business Partner

NTC Project - Chicago, IL June 2012 to July 2012

Creative Specialist, Marketing & Concept Artist(Storyboarding, Character Development & Design)

Graphic Artist Intern

5Stone Marketing - Chicago, IL August 2011 to May 2012

Create and Execute project specific design solutions for 5Stone Marketing's' various clienteles.

Graphic Artist

Festa Parties - Chicago, IL March 2012 to April 2012

Created a original design solution for their annual TBOX theme event. I worked both as a illustrator and graphic designer. Developed several mockups and generated many ideas until the client was fully satisfied. Then I made a digital composite with movable components (fully colored as well) for editing purposes.

Illustrator & Graphic Artist

Another Way Media August 2011 to January 2012

As the Illustrator & Graphic Artist I Created a 12 month Calendar based off of Jacqueline Rogers Book, "The Homicidal, Obsessive, and Delusional Women of the Old Testament

Creative Director

(STARWWW) Stand Tall and Rise Wonderful Women Worldwide - Chicago, IL January 2010 to January 2012

Developing a brand, logo and website for this upcoming non for profit company that's goal is to help battered women and children.

Photo Retoucher & Graphic Designer

Grant Family - Chicago, IL June 2011 to June 2011

Developed the look for a families obituary (for their loved one) and retouched a large amount of old photo's. Portraits, group shots, color correction, fixed overexposed and underexposed photographs, did cropping, tilt correction, and graphic styling.

Concept Artist

Columbia College Chicago Practicum - Chicago, IL January 2011 to May 2011

Practicum Film "The Devils Crossroads" (2011) Developed conceptually fresh ideas for the short film, "The Devils Crossroads," by means of storyboarding, conceptual illustration, development of room layout & scene, strategic use of color, and character work. I worked alongside the production designer as well as other illustrators.

Exhibiting Artist

Urban Art Retreat - Chicago, IL November 2010 to November 2010

Created original artwork for "Chicago as art studio" Propositioned with the opportunity to show more work in the spring for a all female art show.

Exhibiting Artist & Intern

Phantom Gallery - Chicago, IL October 2008 to November 2008

Functioned as a intern within the Phantom Gallery Network and for the Alpha Bruton Artist & Consultant. During this time I organized the event, set up the showcasing space for the event, Handled the artwork, promoted the event, and was also a featured artist.

Runner and Butler

PGA Championship Medinah, NESCO Hospitality Suites for RIOH June 2006 to June 2006

(Set Time: 1 week) Title: Duty: Generated a continuous flow of meals prepared by skilled chefs. Displayed a Hospitable Atmosphere and Consistent Management of Cleanliness

Designer & Student Participant

Chicago's Garfield Park Conservatory - Chicago, IL January 2002 to December 2002

Designed "The Wheel Of Life, "piece for the Garfield Park Conservatory's Children's Garden. I worked through a series of product illustrations, trying to figure out what could be the best fit for the children's area. It had to be something that was enjoyable, housed a environment of fun, as well as teach children about pollination. Among all the children thatwere working in the program, who developed their own ideas and plans. My piece was chosen to represent us all and was built in the conservatory. I receive a award along with my name being featured on a plaque next to the piece along with the other students who were involved.

Education

Certificate of Training in Essentials of Leading Screening Operations

US Department of Homeland Security : Office of Training and Development: Training Centers Division - Atlantic City, NJ

2016 to 2016

Bachelors Of Fine Art in Illustration

Columbia College Chicago - Chicago, IL 2007 to 2011

High School Diploma in Art

Lane Tech College Prep High School - Chicago, IL 2004 to 2007

Skills

Illustration, Graphic Design, Adobe Creative Suite Programs: (Illustrator, Photoshop, Indesign, Adobe Acrobat, After Effects, Lightroom) Interpersonal skills, Organization, Leadership, Adaptability, Problem Solver, Innovative, Professionalism Microsoft word, PowerPoint, Excel, Website Design (Wireframing & Visual Development), Branding, Marketing Collateral: (Posters, Flyers, Business cards, brochures, logos) Editorial Art, Concept, Storyboarding, Character, Photo Retouching, Fashion, Typography, Abstraction & Painting, Home Chef, Security

Links

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Awards

ACHIEVEMENTS

Exhibitions & Accomplishments

Artbeat Gallery Featured Artist & Auction November 2017

Live Painter for The Canvas Project at Lincolnwood Town Center's Artisan Market November 2017.

Solo Art Exhibitor at Munch Restaurant October 2017 to December 2017

June 2017 Art Exhibitor for the UNAUTHORIZED SFMOMA SHOW

August 31, 2016 Art Exhibitor Fulton Street Collective

Sept.2011-Feb.2012 Bucktown Beanry Featured Artist & Exhibitor

2011 Manifest Urban Arts Festival: Fine Art Exhibition at Creative Gallery

2011 Concept Artist for Columbia College Chicago Practicum Film "The Devils Crossroads"

Senior Artist / Illustrator for upcoming PennPointComics organization

March 10, 2010 International Student Organizations Annual World Enigma "Expression" Exhibition Artist October 1, 2009 Artist/ Exhibitor for America Scores Chicago's Inspired Art Project. (Charity Auction Art Project for youth)

Currently a Illustrator for Columbia Colleges' Echo Magazine. 2009 Illustrated for Zine Columbia "Dirge" National Society of Collegiate Scholars

2008 Exhibition at Murphy Hill Gallery & Garfield Market with Phantom Gallery

Exhibition with Phantom Gallery (North Austin Branch Library Sept. 27, 2008)

"June 6, 2008 Artbistro's Featured Artist

"Self" Piece in Columbia College Chicago's MilleFest Fall 2007

2007 Lane Tech High Outstanding Service Award (803 Service Hours)

2006-2007 Who's Who Among American High School Students

2006 First choice, selected to participate in Leroy Neiman's Master Classes in Figure Drawing for high school students, at SAIC. 2006 Sept. 30

Received Leroy Neiman's Master Classes in Figure Drawing Certificate of Recognition

2006 Poetry published in the Fzine Magazine of SAIC

2006 Nominated for the Bill Gates Millennium Scholarship Program 1996-2007 Honor Roll Awards,1999-2003, 2006 & 2007 Perfect Attendance Awards, 1997, 2002 & 2003 Science Fair winner several times 2002 Designed "The Wheel Of Life," piece at Chicago's Garfield Park Conservatory for the Children's Garden and receive a award. 1998-1999 Received Bill Clinton's, Presidential A ward for Educational Excellence twice

Certifications/Licenses

Certificate of Training in Essentials of Leading Screening Operations

June 2016 to Present

Extensive Course based on the Terrorist Planning Cycle, Aviation History, TSA's Guiding Principles, Legal Authority, Legal Scenarios and Activities, Risked Based Security, DISC, Motivators, Situational Leadership, Mission Focused Engagement, Leading Your Team, Power of Influence, Maintain Calm, Making the most of Diversity, Active Listening and Effective Speaking, Providing Feedback and Coaching, Interaction Skills Practice, Encouraging Teamwork, Ethics, Managing Multiple Incidents, Course Reviews, Capstone, Daily Reflections, Action Plan, and Evaluation.

Paraprofessional Educator

March 2017 to June 2022

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Paraprofessional Educator For PreKindergarten through Age 21. (PARA) CITY OF CHICAGO | LAKE COUNTY ROE| DU PAGE COUNTY ROE

Grumbacher Art Instructor Certification 2017

November 2017 to Present

ServSafe Food Handler

December 2017 to December 2020

National Restaurant Association | Employee Food Safety Exam

Publications

Winter Wish By Lovietta Simpkins

http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/winter-wish-lovietta-simpkins/1122876730

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Overview

One winter tale follows a little bear, who wants so dearly to find a friend. Come along on his journey.

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Summary

Max the bunny has a secret. Follow Max throughout his week and find out his superpower.

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