

Education

Bachelor of Fine Arts, Animation

June 2018

Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, Georgia
Minor in Storyboarding

California Arts Scholar

California Summer School for the Arts (CSSSA), Valencia, California

Summer 2013

Professional Experience

Gladius Studios

December 2019 - February 2022

Story Artist & Animator

- Art director, Storyboard Artist and Animator on 'Slimies Episode 1'
- Story Artist at 'Fantomville' feature.
- 2D and 3D animator for commercials and client work

Escuela y Galeria de Artes Cruz, Bayamon PR

Fall 2018- Fall 2019

Fundamentals Art Teacher

- Taught art fundamentals from established curriculum to various class groups of different age ranges (ages 6 to 12)

Collaborative Experience

Coqui Serenade (Short Film, SCAD thesis)

June 2017- May 2018

Director, Producer, Storyboard artist and Animator

Lowe's Innovation Labs (SCAD Collaborative Learning Center)

Spring 2017

Concept Development and Animator

- Collaborated and communicated with a multi-discipline crew to develop concepts, characters and technological designs to be incorporated in a visual story for the client.

Awards & Recognitions

Suncoast Regional Emmy, Graphic Arts Winner

December 2021

For "Slimies Episode 1"

Rincon International Film Festival, Director's Choice Winner

Fall 2019

For "Coqui Serenade"

Software: Toon boom Harmony, Storyboard Pro, TV Paint,

Adobe Photoshop, After Effects, Maya, Blender.

Reel:

<http://www.marielafigueroa.com/>

References:

Available upon request

Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent)