YEKYUNG KWON

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EDUCATION_

Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

Bachelor of Fine Arts, Illustration, May 2020, GPA 3.83/4.0

ILLUSTRATION & DESIGN EXPERIENCE_

Editorial Illustrator

Ringling College Design Center, Sarasota, FL

Feb. 2020 - Mar 2020

CONTXT Magazine, 2020 (published)

- Created 2 full bleed illustrations, and 2 spot illustrations based on an article, "Culture: It matters" by Amy Pettengill.
- Constructed color palette for the page design, including illustrations and text.
- Modified sketches, colors, and layout based on the concept of the article.

Children's Book Illustrator/Character Designer

- Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

Aug. 2019 - May 2020

As part of an upper-level course leading to a semester senior thesis:

- Developed original manuscripts with recommendations from various instructors.
- Wrote and illustrated an original story about a shy girl living in a box, and her journey of personal growth.
- Constructed characters, color palette, interior and environment scenes, interaction of characters.
- Drew original cover design, chose typography including original handwriting elements under strict deadlines.
- Modified characters, visuals, layout, and story based upon faculty and peer critiques.
- Orum Education, Seoul, Republic of Korea

Jul. 2018 - Aug. 2018

Queenie's Day Book 1-12 (published)

- Illustrated and designed (48 spreads, 12 contents pages, 12 inside title covers, and 36 activity pages) for 12 series of published kid's English books. (Manuscripts were provided)
- Designed the main character, Queenie, and 2 different sub-characters.

Illustrator/Design Intern

Ringling College Design Center, Sarasota, FL

May 2019 - Dec. 2019

- Designed National Portfolio Day poster, front and back illustrations, typography, layout design under given deadlines.
- Developed Holiday card for Ringling College Career Services including greetings, sayings, and color design.
- Created an illustration for Ringling College Admissions E-blast received by 1000+ accepted students
- Communicated with clients, completed Design Brief verifying project's scope, including corporate as part of a creative team.

Comic Illustrator

Illustration Department, Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

May 2018 - Dec. 2019

Meanwhile Comic Magazine Vol. 9 & 10 (published)

- Created back cover of the book and two pages of comic and a front cover under given deadlines.
- Worked in a collaborative, professional environment with 15 peers and participated in group critiques.

SKILLS_

Proficient in Adobe Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator Mac platform, gouache, watercolor, pen and ink, graphite, and charcoals. Bilingual in Korean (native language) and English.

SELECTED AWARDS

Gold ADDY 2020 | Society of Illustrator Student Scholarship Competition 2020 | Excellence in Experiential Learning Scholarship 2020 | Best of Ringling Gold Juror's Award 2020 | Illest of Illustration 2017 (1st place), 2018 & 2019 | President's List 2016 - 2020 | Dean's Scholarship 2016 - 2020