

Cartoon & Animation Art (12 – Adults)

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This class will encompass a lot of drawing – not focusing so much on the perfect drawing but rather understanding and trying out new methods. With that down we'll advance past those basics and start creating cartoon characters, designing some picture layout, working on storyboards and more.

Class Outline will be as follows with some allowance for flexibility as needed:

- Week 1) Introduction to Animation. Gesture drawing and its' application to drawing/cartoons.
- Week 2) "S" and "C" curve lesson, line of action, construction lines and basic shapes in drawing cartoons.
- Week 3) Importance and introduction to silhouettes in a drawing, life drawing (sketching of each other standing in different poses)...applying lessons from first three classes.
- Week 4) Introduction and important notes on cartoon character design lesson. Children will create ideas for the person next to them to draw and color and then group showing.
- Week 5) Beginning of design of their own character. More drawing of each others' ideas and practice. Different types of cartoon characters (aliens, animals, humans.)
- Week 6) Introduction to storyboarding and creating a story for their own character. Lesson on different camera angles and views.
- Week 7) Continue storyboard lessons and drawing. Create storyline for other person to draw. Introduction to animation basics.
- Week 8) Continue animation lessons and techniques. Drawing different poses and actions of their created cartoon characters.
- Week 9) General background design lessons and perspective. Introduction of actual animation on paper and children try to animate for themselves.
- Week 10) Continue Lesson/day 9 and wrap up.

...I will assign homework here and there during certain days/lessons. Just approx. 10 minutes for students to do at home, nothing major.

Suggested Materials List:

- 9 x 12 white paper sketch book.
- HB and 2B drawing pencils.
- blue and red coloured erase drawing pencils.
- Sharpener
- few packs of 8 1/2 x 11 white printer paper.
- crayons, sharpie markers
- eraser

Reference materials for animation, cartooning & storyboard panels will be provided by the instructor with suggestions for further materials.