VIBHU VENKATESH Illustrator and Educator

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EXPERIENCE

Essential Access Health — Illustrator/Designer/Instructor

APRIL 2024 - JUNE 2024, DECEMBER 2024 - JANUARY 2025

- Illustrated and designed colorful zine pages, postcards, posters, and business cards to promote reproductive healthcare for youth in California, in collaboration with Spring into Love and Teensource.
- Led workshops teaching Spring Into Love interns how to design zine pages and graphics using Canva and other software/websites.
- Worked with the Youth Advisory Board's feedback on promotional designs, ensuring that they aligned with Teensource's brand identity, core values, and educational language geared toward young people.

CUBURBIA — Illustrator/Writer/Twine Coder

JANUARY 2024 - MAY 2024

- Illustrated, wrote, and coded the urban ecology storygame CUBURBIA, my senior project at Otis College of Art and Design (vibhufox.itch.io/cuburbia).
- Worked with student and faculty feedback to create the game's visual identity, fix bugs, and exhibit the game during the Senior Show.

5 Gyres — "Footprints of Fashion" Website Designer

OCTOBER 2022 - DECEMBER 2022

- Developed a website for the environmental organization 5 Gyres' 2023 Microfiber Campaign (vaporlad.wixsite.com/footprintsoffashion).
- Created animated illustrations to go alongside the educational text.

Website Building Workshop — Volunteer Peer Instructor

NOVEMBER 2022 - DECEMBER 2022

- Taught illustration/graphic design peers about using Wix to build portfolio websites, which were required for a core Otis class.
- Organized Zoom sessions to assist with individual website questions and troubleshooting.

Global Prep Academy — Digital Design Class Instructor

JANUARY 2019 - DECEMBER 2019

- Facilitated lessons for high school peers on using Adobe Suite and Wix to design resumes, project mockups, and portfolio websites.
- Assisted students with individual projects and troubleshooting.

EDUCATION

Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, CA — BFA in Illustration, Creative Writing Minor AUGUST 2020 - MAY 2024

SKILLS

Animation, Book Illustration, Collaboration, Comic Illustration, Critical Thinking, Digital Art, Editorial Illustration, Graphic Design, Ideation, Live2D Model Rigging, Storyboarding, Storytelling, Teaching, Watercolor, Website Building, Wildlife Illustration, 3D Modeling

SOFTWARE

Adobe Suite, Blender, Canva, Google Suite, Live2D, Paint Tool SAI, Twine, Wix

AWARDS

Otis Illustration Academic Excellence Award 2024 Z Supply Scholarship 2023 Otis Dean's Lister 2020-2024 Otis Ahmanson Scholarship 2020-2024 Otis Presidential Scholarship 2020-2024 Scholastic Art and Writing - Editorial Cartoon Regional Gold Key

2019