

# ANCHI SHEN

STORY ARTIST / FILMMAKER

Feature | Shorts | Marketing | Theme Park | Development  
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- 3.5 years experience in the animation industry
- 8 years experience in directing short films and animating 2D projects

## EXPERIENCE

### Story Artist

*Illumination/Universal Animation Studios  
Santa Monica, California | 2020 Mar - present*

### Story Apprentice

*Illumination/Universal Animation Studios  
Santa Monica, California | 2019 Sept - 2020 Mar*

### Story Trainee

*Illumination/Universal Animation Studios  
Santa Monica, California | 2019 Jun - 2019 Sept*

### Story Intern

*Walt Disney Animation Studios  
Burbank, California | 2018 Jun - 2018 Aug*

### Content Creator

*Gamania Digital Entertainment  
Taipei, Taiwan | 2015 Jul - 2016 Sept*

### Comic Artist

*Red Alien Animation Studio  
Taiwan, Taipei | 2014 Sept - 2015 Sept*

## EDUCATION

### California Institute of the Arts

*Bachelor in Character Animation  
Valencia, California | 2015-2019*

### Taipei National University of the Arts

*Bachelor in Animation  
Taipei, Taiwan | 2011-2015*

## PROFESSIONAL WORK

- **Marketing Materials (2022)**- Story artist on Minions 2 & The Super Mario Bros Movie marketing promotions
- **Universal Studios Theme Park Project(2021-2022)**- Story Artist
- **The Super Mario Movie (2019-2022)**- Story Artist
- **Hahow online learning center (2022)** - Panelist & Instructor
- **LAUSD Animation Program (2020-2021)**- Instructor

## SKILLS

Storyboarding, Writing, 2D Animation

## SOFTWARES

Storyboard Pro, TVPaint, Photoshop, Clip Studio Paint, Procreate



## HONORS AND AWARDS

### **Outstanding Alumni Award**

Taipei, Taiwan Oct 2022

*Awarded by a committee of faculty and university representatives at Taipei National University of the Arts as outstanding alumni of the Animation department.*

### **Vision Get Wild- "Behind The Scenes Of The Animation" Panelist**

Taipei, Taiwan (Virtual event) 2022

*Lead a workshop on "How To Pitch Your Ideas" to contestants and college students.*

### **Featured in WIA's "The Business Case for Diversity" Program at Annecy**

Annecy, France (Virtual event) 2021

*Featured in the series entitled "Women In Creative Leadership - A visual collection of short stories from some of the world's leading animation studios highlighting women in creative roles."*

### **SHERO Art Show**

Taipei, Taiwan Winter 2021

*A group exhibition featuring heroine characters in animation/ anime. My two art pieces paid tribute to Mulan and her friends.*

### **5th Annual Comic Arts & Literacy Expo 2021 Panelist**

Los Angeles, California (Virtual event) Fall 2021

*Gave a talk on "How to practice creativity through reading" and shared what Illumination's animation pipeline looks like.*

### **SHOUTOUT LA Interview**

Los Angeles, California 2020

*An interview where I talk about how my childhood experience influenced my journey to become a storyboard artist.*

### **Art Of Change Book**

Los Angeles, California 2020

*Collaborated with 99 artists to create the Art of Change book in support of Black lives.*

*My art piece "Let's start the conversation!" highlights the importance of racial and ethnic diversity in the workplace.*

### **Student Academy Award Semifinals**

Los Angeles, CA 2019

***Witches And Their Worries** selected as Student Academy Awards Semifinals.*

### **Featured in documentary film *Hand Drawn***

Los Angeles, California 2019

*An independent documentary about the future of 2D hand-drawn animation.*

### **CREATIVE WOMEN Art Show Taipei**

Taipei, Taiwan 2018

*Showcased original art work with 10 other animation industry professionals.*

### **Best Experimental and Animation Short Award**

Los Angeles, California 2018

***Barry** awarded at Los Angeles Chinese Film Festival.*

### **Best Student Comedy**

Los Angeles, California 2018

***Barry** awarded at Los Angeles Animation Festival.*

### **20th Animation Show of Shows**

Worldwide 2018

***Barry** featured with 14 other shorts in the ASOS program.*

### **The Walter and Gracie Lantz Animation Award**

Los Angeles, California 2018

***Barry** awarded first prize at CalArts' Producer Show 2018.*

## **VOLUNTEERING**

### **Rise Up Animation Mentor**

*Los Angeles/ Virtual 2022*

*Provided portfolio feedback and industry advice to animation students monthly.*

### **Mentor for Illumination's Summer Story Internship Program**

*Los Angeles, California 2021*

*Provided story assignments weekly to help the mentee understand animation pipeline, Illumination's company culture and build story sequences from concept to finish.*

### **Panelist at CTN EXPO Career Corner**

*Los Angeles, California 2021*

*Shared my experience working at Illumination and how the internal training program helped me grow as an artist.*

### **Instructor for LAUSD X ANIMATION WITH ILLUMINATION**

*Los Angeles, California 2020 + 2021*

*Pre-recorded stop-motion class, 2D animation lecture (focusing on Metamorphosis in Animation & Tracebacks Video) and live draw session teaching the students how to draw Sing 2 characters.*

### **Portfolio Reviewer for CalArts Portfolio Day**

*Virtual 2020 + 2021*

*Reviewed, identified and met with potential talent Illumination can hire in the near future*

### **Artist/ Guest Speaker at High School and Universities**

*Worldwide 2016 ~ 2021*

*Shared my journey in becoming a storyboard artist and my experience working in the industry @ Taipei National University of the Arts, USC Media & Arts High School, LAUSD, Presbyterian Ladies' College Armidale.*