

Annie Xiao Illustrator / Designer / Maker

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Education

2020-2025

ArtCenter College of Design – Pasadena, CA, United States

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration with Honor – Specialization in Motion Design

Scholarships

2020-2025

ArtCenter Undergraduate Scholarship

Society of Illustrators Student Scholarship

Recognition

2021-2025

Featured Artist, ArtCenter Student Gallery

2025

Solo Exhibition, "Life is Fragmented Poetry" Backstage Bar, China

2024

Solo Exhibition, "Dream, Dream, Dream, Dream...", Yakumo Café, China

Languages

English (Fluent) Mandarin Chinese (Native) Korean (Spoken)

Experience

2022 - Present

Freelance Graphic & Motion Designer

Designed editorial layouts and graphics for *Be Water Journal*.

Created event animation and promotional visuals for IFS (International Finance Center) 2024 New Year celebration.

Established visual direction and brand design for Yakumo Café.

2021-Ongoing

Café/Bar Owner

Yakumo Café, China

Co-founded and manage a creative café and bar space. Designed brand identity, menu, and interior experience.

2024-Present

Studio Owner

Taoki Ceramic Studio, China

Founded an independent ceramic studio focused on small-batch, handmade ceramic works. Act as the lead artist and oversee creative direction, design, and production.

2024

Ceramic Instructor

Yiseng Ceramic, China

Taught hand-building techniques to beginner and intermediate students. Developed lesson plans focusing on both functional and sculptural ceramic forms.

Skills

Software & Tools

After Effects, Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere Pro, Light Room, Cinema 4D, Figma, Framer, Midjourney, Runway, Blender, 3ds Max

Creative Practices

Traditional Drawing, Illustration, Brand Identity, Editorial Design, Motion Design, Logo Design, Typography, Poster Design, Storyboarding, Visual Development, Frame-by-frame Animation

Hands-on Craft

Ceramics, Plush Toy Creation, Sewing, Tattooing, Nail art, Woodworking