

# Yahia Shendy

2D ANIMATOR/ ILLUSTRATOR/ CONCEPT ARTIST

I am a passionate 2D Animator and Character Designer and a recent Animation graduate eager to bring my creative vision to life through visually engaging stories and memorable characters. With a strong eye for detail and a love for storytelling, I create dynamic animations that captivate audiences. Thriving in collaborative environments, I am excited to apply my skills and continue learning while pushing the boundaries of visual storytelling with impactful and innovative designs.

## EXPERIENCE & SKILLS

### — 2D Animation & VFX – (University and personal projects)----- (2020-present)

- Strong foundation in squash & stretch, timing, anticipation, arcs, and more.
- Skilled in both puppet animation (rig-based) and frame-by-frame hand-drawn animation, but mainly hand drawn.
- Proficient in creating flexible, clean rigs in Toon Boom Harmony.
- Highly capable in animating dynamic action and fight scenes, using strong camera movement, posing, and perspective.
- **2D Hand-Drawn VFX:** Able to animate visual effects like fire, water, smoke, and magic using solid timing and spacing.

### — Comic Artist & Writer – (personal projects)----- (2016-present)

- Developing an original comic: writing, designing characters, and illustrating
- Promoting the project on Instagram and TikTok to build audience engagement, and creating a 2D animated trailer for it.
- **Skills:** Storytelling, Illustration, Character Design, Character Development, Visual Narrative, Worldbuilding, Self-Management, Social Media Promotion, Marketing, creativity, Project Management.

### — Freelance Illustrator & Character Designer-----

*Multiple Clients*

**Remote** (June 2020 – Present)

- *Created high-quality characters, creatures, and illustrations across various genres*
- *Developed visual assets and branding for small businesses and creators.*
- *Collaborated with clients and artists, incorporating feedback to meet project goals*
- **Skills:** Character Design, Visual Development, Composition, Colour Theory, Creative Thinking, Adaptability, Client Communication, Time Management, graphic design, logo design, character design, Anatomy, gesture.

### — Freelance Web Animator-----

*Client: Cubode*

**Remote** (4 May, 2025)

- *Created responsive and optimized web animations tailored for both desktop and mobile interfaces using **Adobe After Effects** and **Lottie**.*
- *Worked closely with the lead designer and co-founder to match animations to*

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## SOFTWARES PROFICIENCY

**-2D & Illustration:** Adobe Photoshop, Clip Studio Paint, TV Paint, Toon Boom Harmony.

**-Video & Motion:** Adobe After Effects, Premiere Pro.

**-3D:** ZBrush, Basic proficiency in Maya, confident with Blender

**-Productivity:** Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Suite.

## AWARDS

- Won the innovation award 2019 – The Young Entrepreneur program.
- Won the best intern award – Green Valley School 2020.
- Model United Nations (MUN) – Participated in MUN in Athens 2018.
- Black belt and fifth place in judo all Egypt championship.
- Gymnastics – First in Junior championship.

evolving brand identity and UI/UX design.

- Ensured seamless integration of animations into web platforms through testing and optimization.
- **Skills:** Motion Design, Responsive Animation, Client Collaboration, Adaptability, Problem-Solving, UX Awareness, Technical Execution.

#### — Animator – NHS University Collaboration Project—

Client: National Health Service (NHS)

NTU (2023)

- Collaborated in a university led team to create a 2d animation for the NHS.
- Involved in storyboarding, animation, and visual development, contributing to all phases of production.
- Made a 2d rig for the character, animated it and made the environment.
- **Skills:** Team Collaboration, Storyboarding, 2D Animation, 2d rigging in Toon boom, Deadline Management, Clear Communication, Purpose-Driven Visuals.

#### — Cofounder & Designer – AIT Fashion Brand—

Online (2022 – 2023)

- Launched a custom T-shirt brand with my siblings, featuring original designs created using a combination of my artwork and AI-generated imagery.
- Created all visual content, including product designs, marketing graphics, and animated promotional videos.
- Handled social media management, customer communication, and order fulfillment.
- **Skills:** Illustration, Branding, Animation for Social Media, Entrepreneurship, Communication, Marketing Design, Planning & Organisation, self-management, marketing.

#### — Chef – Bear Flat Fish and Chips—

Bath, UK (sept 2024 – present)

- Managed the kitchen independently during some shifts, including cooking, cleaning, and taking orders
- Trained new staff and ensured food quality and hygiene standards
- **Skills:** Teamwork, Fast Learning, Resilience, Efficiency Under Pressure, Time Management, Customer Service, Leadership, Multitasking, Self-Management

#### — Team Member – Peri Peri Sizzler Restaurant—

Nottingham, UK (2022-2023)

- Handled Cleaning, food preparation, and team coordination.
- **Skills:** Interpersonal Skills, Organisation, Communication, Patience, Adaptability, Cleaning, work under pressure.

#### — Judo Assistant Coach—

Egypt (2023)

- Assisted lead coach in training and supervising children aged 7–13.
- **Skills:** Leadership, mentorship, Patience, Coaching, working with children, Responsibility.

#### — Art Teaching Assistant – Green Valley School (Internship)—

Egypt (Sept 2018 – June 2019 & Sept 2019 – Jan 2020)

- Assisted in teaching art to students aged 13–15, supporting lessons and creative activities
- Helped with materials, one-on-one guidance, and classroom management
- **Skills gained:** Teaching, Child Communication, Creativity, Mentorship.

## LANGUAGES

- English (Fluent)
- German (Advanced)
- Arabic (Native)

## EDUCATION

### – Bachelor of Arts in Animation

Nottingham Trent university (September 2021-Graduated: June 2024)

-Graduated with First Class Honours

## HOBBIES

- Judo (Training judo for more than 10 years)
- Drawing
- Video Games

## VOLUNTEER WORK

### Arabic Language Teacher – Bath, UK

Volunteering at a local Arabic school, teaching children aged 8–12 how to read, write, and speak Arabic in a fun and engaging way.

### Charity Cook & Meal Organizer – Egypt

Worked with a local charity organization to prepare and distribute meals to underprivileged families, supporting community outreach efforts and helping those in need.