




# MICHAEL THOMAS

ANIMATION, TRADITIONAL ART, DIGITAL ART

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## PROFILE

I am an artist with over 6 years of experience working freelance on traditional and digital commissions. Through working directly with a plethora of clients and businesses, I have become equipped with an excellent work ethic and sense of professionalism. I enjoy creating engaging, realistic portraits and paintings, as well as creating new worlds through my digital art and characters.

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## EDUCATION

**Kennesaw State University**, Kennesaw GA – *Bachelor of Fine Arts in Digital Animation*  
Kappa Alpha Order, Zeta Chi Chapter – *T-Shirt Chair, Intramural Chair*

**New York Academy of Art**, Manhattan, New York – *Summer Undergraduate Residency Program*

**Valdosta State University**, Valdosta, GA – *Georgia Governor's Honors Program*

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### Exhibitions/ Auctions

- **Summer Undergraduate Residency Final Exhibition**  
New York Academy of Art in NYC (2019)
- **College Juried Exhibition**  
The Art Place in Marietta, Georgia (2019)
- **NCHS Senior AP Art Exhibition**  
Gallery Four Six Three in Kennesaw, Georgia (2015)
- **Student Exhibition Opening Reception**  
VSU Fine Arts Gallery in Valdosta, Georgia (2014)
- **Camp Southern Ground**  
Drawing of Zac Brown. Sold in Auction for \$1,450 on 09/16/16

### Publications

- Album Cover – “Perfume”  
-Tyler Coolidge & Peyton Stack (Spotify, Apple Music)
- Advertisement – **PATHWATER** (2020 - Present)  
-Cobranding water bottle labels – produced in Adobe Illustrator
- Advertisement – **Spalding** (2017)  
-Photography/Photoshop edits for product: Basketballs – used for print.
- Advertisement – **KES Science & Technology, Inc**  
-Illustrations of product: AiroClean420 – used for online and social media advertisements as well as in print for company magazine.
- T-Shirt Design – **Heritage Outfitters** (<http://heritageoutfitter.com/>)  
-Hand drawn design produced – sold in stores (Fall 2014)
- T-Shirt Design – **Mejia Brothers Clothing**
- T-Shirt Design – **Kappa Alpha Order** (2017-Present)
- Logo – **Awtrey Middle School**  
-Logo designed and used for the school's 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.

## SKILLS

**Adobe CC**

**ToonBoom Harmony**

**ToonBoom Storyboard Pro**

Procreate

Autodesk: Inventor, Maya, AutoCAD

Deadline Oriented

Multitasking

Engaging Public Speaker

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Johnny's New York Style Pizza** (2013 - )  
Kennesaw, GA  
Manager and Head Server

**Commission/ Freelance Artist**

- Published – Businesses, Celebrities

**Fred Reed Framing** (2018)

Midtown Atlanta, GA

Frame Builder, French Matte Painter, Sales

## AWARDS

**AIA Atlanta High School Design Competition**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Institute of Architects (2015)

**SkillsUSA Georgia**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – 3D Visualization & Animation (2014)

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Pin Design (2015)

**Congressional Art Competition**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 11<sup>th</sup> District (2013, 2014)