

JULIAN LACAYO

ILLUSTRATION + VISUAL DEVELOPMENT

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EDUCATION:

ArtCenter College of Design
Pasadena, CA
(2021 - 2025)

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration
Provost's List 2024 - 2025

EXPERIENCE:

ArtCenter College of Design
Pasadena, CA
08.2024 - 04.2025

Teaching Assistant- Dynamic Character Drawing/Action Analysis

- Actively communicated with students when the instructor was unavailable, and created server for questions and reminders.
- Created spreadsheets and organized homework files for instructor.
- Assisted with student critique, life drawing setup, and music.

44LLC
Brooklyn, NY
06.2023 - 07.2024

Freelance Illustration

- Practiced high-volume idea generation and learned to format research and work for effective, clean presentation during check-ins.
- Created drawings, portraits, architectural illustrations, and interior mockups through a variety of analog and digital mediums.
- Learned to track/manage project costs and negotiate contract terms.

Graystreet Partners
San Antonio, TX
05.2021 - 07.2021

Summer Intern

- Created work orders for construction cleanup and patrolled sites.
- Communicated with manufacturers/retailers to collect and compile material options and lead times. Also learned to read floor plans.

Zimmerman and Associates, Inc.
San Antonio, TX
04.2018 - 06.2021

Video Editor

- Learned Final Cut Pro and After Effects, and cultivated a sense for timing and quick decision-making.
- Learned about documentary filmmaking and was hired as a camera assistant for on-location shoots.

Independent Productions
Austin, TX
04.2017 - 07.2018

Production Assistant / Art Intern

- Learned to anticipate set needs and cultivate group communication.
- Assisted in set building/painting, set dressing, supply runs, prop transportation, and woodworking.

Family Ranch
San Antonio, TX
07.2011 - Present

Ranch Hand / Farm Hand

- Raised, fed, monitored, and transported all manner of livestock.
- Operated heavy machinery, repaired fence lines, cleared brush, performed general house repair/painting, and furniture restoration.
- Helped run a family business. Made homegoods and canned goods.

SKILLS:

Design and Communication:

Visual Development, Character Design, Logo Design, Writing and Storytelling, Group Communication, Organizational Skills

Software:

Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, After Effects), Google Workspace, Microsoft Office Suite, Final Cut Pro, Blender (Learning)

Languages:

English (Native), Spanish (Learning)

MEMBERSHIPS:

ASIFA-Hollywood
07.2025 - Present

Student-Level Membership