

# ELI NOONAN

## Character Designer

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## PROFILE

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Character Designer specializing in animation with experience developing model sheets, character turnarounds, pose and expression sheets, and silhouette-driven exploration and shape design. Rooted in anatomy, gesture, shape language, and costume design, Eli's iterative design process has been adapted to integrate critique into collaborative studio-style workflows designed to function in a production pipeline.

## EDUCATION

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2023-2026

ART CENTER COLLEGE OF DESIGN

- BFA in Illustration
  - Focus: Entertainment Arts - Minor: Creative Writing
  - GPA: 3.6 / 4.0 (Expected 2026)
- Coursework
  - Areas of Focus: Character Design, Figure Drawing, Anatomy, Costume Design, Silhouette Exploration, Shape Language, Color and Light, Visual Development, Story and Storyboarding

## CHARACTER DESIGN SKILLS

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- Design
  - Character Design, Model Sheets, Turnarounds, Expression Sheets, Pose and Attitude Exploration, Silhouette and Shape Language, Costume & Prop Design, Acting for Animation, Anatomy, Gesture, Color Exploration & Palette Development.
- Process
  - Ideation, Iteration and Feedback, Research, Adaptability, Production Pipeline Awareness
- Software
  - Adobe Photoshop, After Effects, Premiere Pro, Procreate, Clip Studio Paint EX, Storyboard Pro, Maya

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Vice President & Director of Social Media

Art Center Student Government

2023 - 2025

- Designed and illustrated digital assets supporting campaigns and brand initiatives.
- Maintained visual consistency across marketing materials and social platforms.
- Managed production timelines and executed revisions based on team and leadership feedback.

### Orientation Leader

Art Center - Center for Student Experience

- Communicated structured information clearly to large groups.
- Collaborated across departments to execute campus-wide programming and events.

2023 - 2025

### Cleanup Associate

In-N-Out Burger

2021 - PRESENT

- Demonstrate ability to deliver consistent results reliably and with accountability in fast-paced, team environments,
- Maintain high cleanliness, operational, and safety standards with strong attention to detail.

## PORTFOLIO HIGHLIGHTS

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Character-driven designs for projects inspired by the weird and grim, including model sheets, turnarounds, expression studies, silhouette explorations, costume variation, and narrative illustrations. Exploration, variety, and distinct design languages are crucial to my design process.

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