Contact

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Education

- Lesley University (Cambridge, MA), 2023, Illustration (Major)
- Lesley University (Cambridge, MA), 2020, Animation (Minor)

Experience

- Lead Graphic Designer for *With Your Whole Chest* an Audrey Calhoun Production (2023)
- Academic Computing Assistant for Lesley University (2023)
- Artistic Director for Lesley Performing Arts Club (2021-2022)
- Published in Common Thought's Art and Literary Magazine for "From Salt to Sugar" (2019)

Shows and Exhibitions

 Group Exhibition, Lesley Art and Design Senior Showcase, Roberts Gallery (1801 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138

<u>Skills</u>

- Adobe Animate, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Audition, InDesign, Maya,
- Microsoft Office, Photo editing
- Screen printing, Printmaking, Ceramics, Graphic Novels, Visual Narratives, Editorial Illustration

Awards, Recognitions, Publications

- Published in <u>Common Thought Art and Literary Magazine for</u> "From Salt to Sugar" (2019)
- *Kaufman Scholarship* awarded by Lesley University (2018)
- Presidential Scholarship awarded by Lesley University (2018)

I am an illustrator originally from Point Pleasant, New Jersey and I currently reside in Riverdale, New York. I received my BFA in Illustration 2023 with a minor in Animation in 2020. In addition, I am looking to continue my education in New York soon. I love to make visual narratives that touch on themes pertaining to social justice that exposes the exploitation of those who cannot help themselves in hopes of creating a systemic breakthrough. I believe that something as small as a smile can go a long way and that human connection is everything. And that it is up to us to uphold a community and positive mindset to raise others up. In addition, I continue to believe that until everyone has that same mindset, then the world will officially be at peace with not only each other but everything on it. Not only can we change the world through art, but we can help those who live on it with us as well.