# Kyra Saunders

Illustrator

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## EDUCATION

### Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA)

September 2022 - December 2025
Baltimore, MD

BFA in Illustration

Minor in Sequential Arts

## SKILLS

**Creative**
Illustration · Character Design · Visual Development · Sequential Art · Graphic Design

**Software & Tools**
Procreate, InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator, Canva, Clip Studio Paint

## RELEVANT PROJECTS

**Sportime NY U10 Mascot Design**

September - November 2024

- Designed 5 animal mascots for 3 children's tennis programs
- Provided several rounds of revisions with consistent communication

**Major League Balatro Official Art**

January 2026 - PRESENT

- Design and assist in manufacturing of enamel pin sets, T-shirts, and graphics for popular esports event
- Worked within a deadline and project parameters of size and theme

**Centerforce USA Graphic Design**

August - October 2026

- Create graphics for business conferences including advertisements, Powerpoint slides, and speaker panels
- Worked within a deadline and project parameters of size and theme

## CREATIVE EXPERIENCE

### Artist Alley Vendor

2023 - PRESENT

- Design and manufacture various products featuring illustration work
- Attend live conventions with up to 100k attendees as a vendor, providing friendly customer service
- Manage finances before and after events
- Events: Otakon 2023, Holiday Matsuri 2023, Anime Boston 2025, Anime NYC 2026

### Online Shop Owner

2020 - PRESENT

- Design and manufacture various products featuring illustration work
- Promote shop on social media
- Manage stock and ship goods domestically and internationally
- Provide customer service over email and social media

### Personal & Commercial Commission Work

2017 - PRESENT

- Illustrate custom pieces for clients
- Provide progress shots and edits based on client needs
- Manage finances before and after events
- Experience: Illustration, character design, product design, logo design, Twitch and YouTube channel assets, short animations