

# MAYA THAO

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CONCEPT ARTIST / ILLUSTRATOR / DIRECTOR

## ABOUT ME

I am **MAYA THẢO** [they/them], a 22-year-old self-taught visual artist from Hanoi, Vietnam. Currently studying animation in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, I specialize in story-telling through concept art, illustrations, and directing.



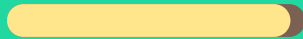
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## SKILLS & INTERESTS

**COLOR THEORY**



**ANATOMY**



**PERSPECTIVE**



**Mediums:** Digital, Pencil, Oil-paint, Acrylic,-paint, Gouache-paint, Clay, Stop-motion.

**Hard skills:** Painting, Character-development, Character design, World-building, Background design, Plot-development, Storyboarding, Frame-by-frame 2D Animation.

**Soft skills:** Adaptable, Stylistically versatile, Attention to Detail, Critical thinker, Sociable.

## SOFTWARES



ADOBE  
PHOTOSHOP



TV PAINT



PROCREATE



CLIP STUDIO  
PAINT

## EXPERIENCE

### FREELANCE ARTIST

2017 -

I take commissions for character art, portraits, concept art, and logo designs.

### ART DIRECTOR & BACKGROUND ARTIST

2019 -

Helped with creating backgrounds within personal projects.

- *Metamorphosis* (2020) dir. Khaled Qaderi
- *In The Shadow of the Archangels* (2021) dir. Tommie Hijweege

### DIRECTOR & ANIMATOR

2021

Storyboarded, co-directed, and animated the music video for "Just A Phase" by Laurin Huxoll.

## EDUCATION

### BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL - HANOI



2016 - 2018

International Baccalaureate

### WILLEM DE KOONING ACADEMY



2019 -

Bachelor of Arts - Animation

## INTERESTS

I love People as a subject of drawing and of learning. Life-drawing, painting, cooking, back-packing, reading feminist & leftist political theory, 20th French philosophy, linguistics, spending time with friends, and meeting new people!