

AKARI JOHNSTON

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EXPERIENCE

Character Designer | September 2025 - January 2026

Monkey Punch Studio LLC. | Remote

- Character designer for Victor Cook's TV development project
- Taking designs from sketches to full color to be used as pitch art

Animated Film Producer | June 2024-Current

StagBeetle Animation | Remote

- Co-producer/co-director for animated short film, Coyote and Badger with a small group of artists
- On production side, in charge of task assignment, meeting scheduling and file management
- On art side, character design lead, rough and clean up animator

Barista | August 2025 - Current

Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf | Los Angeles, CA

- Food service and beverage making in front of house, customer service environment
- Responsibilities include food/beverage making, cleaning, customer relations, working in a team, use of machinery/heavy equipment, record keeping, independent work

SKILLS

Adobe Photoshop, Adobe After Effects, Storyboard Pro, Procreate, Krita, Autodesk Maya, Toon Boom Harmony, InDesign, Script Writing, Public Speaking, Problem Solving, Communication, Team Management, Adaptability, Microsoft Suite, Google Suite

EDUCATION

Otis College of Art and Design | Los Angeles, California

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Digital Media: Animation, minor in creative writing

