

BETH J. RAPATZ

illustrator, writer and teacher

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Objective

I am a freelance illustrator, writer and teacher and I believe in the importance of bringing art to children and adults through fun and engaging teaching as well as creating high quality childrens books. I have freelance illustrated as well as worked at many different organizations, as a result I have extensive administrative experience in an office and non profit setting; as well as creative problem solving skills.

Professional Experience

Studio Marketing and Education Manager/Teacher, Simply Jane ~ *All ages Paint Studio*, Minneapolis, MN 2011-2013

Retail Associate, Art Materials ~ *Art Supply Store*, Minneapolis, MN , 2010

Retail Associate, The Green Goober ~ *Eco-friendly Toy Store*, Minneapolis, MN , 2009

Nanny, Natural Nannies LLC ~ *Independently Owned Nanny Company*, San Francisco, CA , 2009

Executive Assistant, Landmark Education ~ *Personal Development Company*, San Francisco, CA, 2008

Merchandise Associate, Pearl Paint ~ *Art Supply Store*, San Francisco, CA, 2007

Book Fair Representative, The BookFair Company ~ *Children's Book Fair Company*, Waltham, MA , 2006

Education

Bachelor of Fine Arts~ Illustration, The Art Institute of Boston at Lesley University, Boston, Ma, 2005

Continuing Education Classes, City College of San Francisco, San Francisco, Ca, 2009

Teaching

Summer Camps & Adult Painting Classes, Simply Jane Studio, Minneapolis, MN, 2011-2013

Adult Art Classes, Minneapolis Community Education, Minneapolis, MN 2012

Children's Art Classes, Bloomington Art Center, Bloomington, MN 2012

A Gorey Story: Writing/Illustration Class, 826 Valencia, San Francisco, CA, 2008

Private Painting/ Drawing Tutor, Private Home, Cambridge, MA, 2007

Digital Illustration Techniques Lecture, Norwell Education Fund, Norwell High School, Norwell, MA, 2006

Artists in Residence Program, Norwell Education Fund, Norwell High School, Norwell, MA, 2006

Exhibitions & Awards

CBIG Member Show, Pierre Bottineau Public Library, Minneapolis, MN, 2012

Mouse, Monkey, and Rabbit, Honorable Mention, Art for Animals Contest: The National Anti-Vivisection Society, 2010

CBIG Member Show, MN Center for Book Arts, Minneapolis, MN, 2010

Group Show, ThrillHouse Record, San Francisco, CA, 2008

Works on Paper, Gallery 1, San Francisco, CA, 2007

Member Show, South Shore Art Center- Bancroft Gallery, Cohasset, MA, 2006

Publications

Illustrator, *Nothing Special* by David Harrell, 2011

Illustrator, *A Tale from Tailsville* by Dan Drotzman, 2010

Illustrator, *Is That My Tail?* by Robert Hootkins, 2009

Illustrator, *A Day with Bacchus* by Elias Gomez, 2007

Animator, *Iran: Hot Tea, Cool Conversations* produced by Golden Gate Cinema, 2008

Organizations

The Children's Book Illustrators Guild of Minnesota

Arts for Academic Achievement for Minneapolis Public Schools

Society of Children's Book Writers & Illustrators

Software/ Programs & Systems

Mac and PC, Adobe Creative Suite CS5, basic HTML/CSS, Microsoft Outlook, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Office (Vista/ Windows 7)