**Lily Laura Jane Gatward**

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I’m a hardworking, high energy, efficient individual, who works well in a team and have been trusted with several positions such as: Character Designer, Modeller and Animator, Retail Assistant, Barista and Teaching Assistant. I pride myself on my confidence, positivity and flexibility in high pressure and difficult situations.   
I have 3 years of experience in animation; working to deadlines, giving and receiving feedback and, most importantly, animating. I have greatly improved my skills through my university course, am at home working in a team environment and happy to receive harsh criticism if it means improving my work. I’m looking for work in the animation field and I’m happy to work in whatever position is best suited to my talents.  
I have an efficient set up for animating at home, so I can work remotely, with ease, immediately.

**I am proficient in the following programs:**

TV-Paint Maya Adobe Animate/Illustrate/After Effects/Premiere/Photoshop   
Toon Boom Blender

**Education:**

BA Animation at Nottingham Trent University (2017-2020)

Brighton and Hove Sixth Form College (2015-2017):  
A Levels: A - Textiles, B – Art, B - Maths  
AS Level: A - Philosophy and Ethics

Dorothy stringer high school (2010-2015):  
12 GCSE’s A\*- C. A\* - Maths, B - English

**Previous Experience:**

**Freelance Artist/Animator:**

I have done paid work creating concept art for a few clients, helping conceptualise art for a card game and designing characters and artwork for a possible animated T.V show. While this work has not been frequent enough to justify formal invoicing, it has taught me a lot about working with clients within their limitations, how to communicate issues, how to take criticism and how to convince a client to comprise their vision slightly in order to achieve a better end result.

**Samurai centre (Martial Arts Dojo) (November 2016- August 2017):**49 New England Street, Brighton, BN1 4GQ. 01273 570940   
Stuart Allison: Business owner Leah Caplin: Manager. Matt and Jen Kaiser: Instructors.  
**Café:** While working as a barista at the Samurai Centre, I received full Barista Training, learnt cash handling, stock control, food prep and kitchen portering. During this time, I became a useful team member, I learnt how to communicate in high pressure situations, how to share workloads appropriately and to take on extra responsibilities when the team needed.   
**Teaching assistant: I was DBS checked for this role in December 2016**   
 Throughout my time at the Samurai Centre, I was also a teaching assistant to the Instructors in ninjutsu classes, teaching kids aged 5-13. I developed a lot of helpful skills from this including how to communicate effectively with children of differing ages, how to encourage children who are sad, nervous or scared, as well as calming down angry, hyperactive and panicking children. Working in a class has taught me how to keep a group of hyper children attentive without being strict and has given me a great ability to improvise, as young children can be very unpredictable and purposefully unruly!

**Deichmann (Shoe Shop) (December 2015- May 2017):**178 Western Road, Brighton, BN1 2BA   
**Sales assistant:** While working in Retail I learnt the meaning of pain and boredom.

**References: Andy Love -** andy.love@ntu.ac.uk **Debra Smith -** debra.smith@ntu.ac.uk