MELISSA DENTEL

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Objective Flash Animator, Illustrator, 3D Modeler

Graphite, Paint, Marker, Metal and Wood working, Ceramics, Sculpting **Art Skills**

Software Skills

Proficient Software Adobe Photoshop CS4

Adobe Flash CS4

Adobe After Effects CS4 Adobe Premiere Pro CS4 Adobe ImageReady 7 openCanvas 1.1

Autodesk 3ds Max 2011 Autodesk Maya 2011

Autodesk Sketchbook Pro 2010

Familiar Software

Adobe Illustrator CS4 Adobe Encore CS4

Adobe Dreamweaver CS3

Unreal 3 Editor

Unreal Development Kit

Microsoft Office Word and Excel

Experience Freelance Illustrator

Paid to illustrate a man and his dog based on a photograph

Illustrated a themed logo for the Beaver bowling league, a couples league in winter 2009. The logo has a pair of anthropomorphic beavers holding wine glasses, and a bowling ball between them held up with their tails. The design was not used until the start of the fall 2010 league.

Staff artist for Teripets.com

- Teripets is a online pet site like Neopets, where digital pets are adopted and played with across the site. I designed many item graphics for the site to use as food and toys for the pets, as well as designed a special pet for Thanksgiving 2009, the Gallopavo (turkey dragon).
- I was assigned to create three to five similar items to release for holidays and special pet days throughout my time there. I worked on items for Christmas, specific pet days, New Year's, and then designed winter theme items to recognize the Winter Olympics in February 2010.
- As an artist I was also given forum moderation responsibilities. When I didn't have an assignment or when I was waiting on critiques, I was checking for unruly behavior on the forum.

Honors and Achievements

National Art Honor Society November 2006 – November 2007

References Available upon request

Bachelor of Science in Media Arts and Animation, The Art Institute of Pittsburgh **Education**