

Giovanna Dasso

Fine Artist · Illustrator · Art Educator

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Creates imaginative, story-led artwork across traditional and digital media, with experience in published illustration, arts education, and collaborative display and set design.

EXPERIENCE

Independent Artist & Art Educator | 2020–present

Creates commissioned paintings and digital illustrations, develops visual identities, and teaches individual and small-group art classes.

Milk & Honey Studios | Co-founder

Creates fine art and illustration and develops studio classes, workshops, and faith-inspired community art experiences in Greater Orlando.

LiveTrends | Contracted Display Artist & Interior Designer | 2021–2022

Created large display walls, moss murals, and decorated spaces using painting, sculpting, and woodworking.

Garces Bros Studio | Set Designer | 2017–2022

Designed and created sets for music-video productions in Central Florida.

EDUCATION

Ringling College of Art & Design

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration, Sarasota, Florida.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Alice McGraw Likes to Draw | Illustrator

Children's book by Rich Bergman and Sandra Hanan. Visual storytelling, character development, and finished illustrations.

The Search for Great Great Grampa's Tail | Illustrator

Children's book by Rich Bergman. Character-driven illustration and visual narrative.

Lines for Trees: Vol. II | Featured Artist

One of 68 contributing artists to a published charity art book supporting WIRES Wildlife Rescue. The collective campaign reached its funding goal on launch day and exceeded all stretch goals.

RECOGNITION

Society of Illustrators Student Scholarship Competition | 2020

"Fearless" selected; mixed media in gouache, acrylic, digital, and colored pencil. Documented by Ringling College.

SKILLS

Traditional & Digital Art

Painting, gouache, acrylic, watercolor, drawing, mixed media, sculpture, illustration, Adobe Creative Suite, Procreate, visual storytelling, set and display design, and art curriculum development.

ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION

Excellent Use of Storytelling | TPIE 2022

Recognition associated with her collaborative display-design work for LiveTrends at the Tropical Plant International Expo.

Best Display | IV Lounge Spring Flower Festival | 2023

Recognized for an art display at the spring flower event.

Art Teaching Recognition | Apopka Family Learning Center

Recognized for developing an art program for children.

TEACHING & COMMUNITY

Orlando Museum of Art | Teaching Artist

Led a Monet-inspired acrylic painting workshop for the museum's Paint the Night Away program, August 2025.

Apopka Family Learning Center | Arts Education Teacher

Developed art curriculum and creative activities for children through community arts education.

Milk & Honey Studios | Workshops & Classes

Individual and small-group instruction, community art experiences, and Praise & Paint workshops.

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS**IMAGINE | Senior Illustration Portfolio**

Original conceptual picture-book and illustration project developed at Ringling College.

The Places We'll Go | Collaboration with Valerie Turner

Illustrated travel-poster collaboration, included in Turner's portfolio book.

Handmade Paper & Wedding Invitations

Illustration and handcrafted invitation design; explored letterpress and book arts at Ringling College.

Commercial Illustration & Display Design

Brand artwork, illustrated product labels, music-video sets, display walls, moss murals, and sculptural decor.