



# SOPHIE SCHMID

## STORY ARTIST

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### SKILLS

Storyboarding

Cinematography

Story Development

2D Animation

Character Design

### SOFTWARE

Adobe Photoshop

Storyboard Pro

Microsoft Suite

Google Workspace

Shotgun

### RELEVANT INFORMATION

2022 AEF Scholarship Recipient  
2022

Children's Media Association  
2022 - Present

ASIFA - Hollywood  
2021 - Present

Women in Animation  
2021 - Present

Chapman Animation and VFX Club  
2020 - Present

### WORK EXPERIENCE

**TV Production Intern** Spring 2023  
*DreamWorks Animation | CA*

TV Production Intern for an unannounced series.

- 10-week internship program dedicated to gaining insight about production workflows, processes, and responsibilities
- Assist in various office tasks under the assigned TV Production team; Grew to develop areas of autonomy, problem-solving and execution with other technical duties

**Administrative Assistant & Tour Guide** 2022 - Present  
*Dodge College Film & Media Arts | CA*

Representative of Dodge College to assist both undergraduate and graduate students and families.

- Representative of animation major to provide professional answers, resources, and help.
- Lead tours, events, and VIP classes for Dodge in a professional manner. Answer emails, calls, and assisting visitors in office to further progress computer and organizational skills.

**President** 2022 - Present  
*Chapman's Women in Animation | CA*

Responsible for building community to empower and advocate for underrepresented identities in animation industry.

- Coordinated 20+ activities, 5+ special guest events, run leadership meetings, and all meetings for club members.
- Community management of 60+ chapter members and social outreach to develop more collaborative and welcoming environments.

**Lightbox Expo Firefly Crew Member** October 2022  
*Lightbox Expo | CA*

Volunteer member of 2022 Lightbox Expo Convention

- Setup and coordinated events while communicating with Firefly groups and further developing leadership skills

### EDUCATION

**Caricaturing for Animation with John Musker** January 2023  
*Dodge College Film & Media Arts*

- Sketchbook caricaturing with expression emotions, facial structures, acting, and story situations

**Directing for Animation with David Kuhn** January 2023  
*Dodge College Film & Media Arts*

- Covers efficient storytelling, film language, staging, non-verbal character acting, & gestural storytelling drawings
- Emphasized standard industry workflows

**How to Storyboard An Animated Scene** September - October 2022  
*Project City*

- Instructor: Andy Cung
- Umbrella Method, staging, composition, layout, gesture, character acting, live-action studies, & story structure

**Story Artist Mentorship with Sergio Paez** Summer 2022 - 2023  
*Storyboard Art*

- Mentors: Steve Lee, Douglas Lovelace, Lincoln Adams, Erik Kuska, Chad Pickrel
- Staging, cinematography, composition, layout, gesture, character acting, live-action studies, & story structure
- Tips, techniques, and tools to foster fast-paced, clear story development

**Story Xperimental** Summer 2022  
*Pixar's X in a Box*

- Fundamentals of storyboarding with Pixar story artists
- Pixar's breakdown of storytelling: what if questions, story spine, character-driven storytelling, 3 act structure, etc.

**Dodge College Film & Media Arts | Chapman University** 2020-2024  
*BFA 2D Animation*