# Tia Kassim

BFA Entertainment Design Ringling College of Art and Design, May '26

## **Design Experience**

## SHOW SET DESIGN INTERN (MAY '25 - AUG '25)

UNIVERSAL CREATIVE STUDIO - Concept visualization, communication and packaging, integrating show elements and conveying design intent through iteration of drawings and 3D models that have been approved for large-scale future projects.

## CREATIVE DEVELOPMENT INTERN / FREELANCE (MAY '24 - DEC '24)

MATTEL ADVENTURE PARK - Concept communication for coordination between brand teams and operational teams, creation of design documentation for creative buyoff and active construction for a  $\sim$ \$100M indoor theme park.

#### 'SHANE MILLER' CREATIVE ASSISTANT (FEB '23 - PRESENT)

Creative consult for private artist on commissioned work and vector file creation for creative briefs

## GENESIS LEAD SET DESIGNER (JAN '25 - PRESENT)

Set design for student-led fashion show, inter-disciplinary coordination and communication for creative buyoff, concept communication, 3D visualization, technical coordination on show day, design for lighting, fabricated set pieces, budgeting, operational planning

## AVANT-GARDE EVENT DESIGNER (OCT '23 - MARCH '24)

Planning, designing, and realizing a large-scale, themed, donor event and live show for the college and Board of Trustees to raise ~\$70,000 each year

# Leadership, Guest Services, & Volunteerism

#### RESIDENT ADVISOR (JUN '23 - PRESENT)

Leader and informational resource for ~65 residents and trained in emergency response. Creator of large-scale, inter-organizational events across campus for ~130 residents, connecting other students to industry opportunities

## ADMISSIONS AMBASSADOR (AUG '23 - JAN '24, AUG '25 - PRESENT)

Representative and endorser of Ringling College of Art and Design, facilitator of campus tours and tours communications

## SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM MEMBER (AUG '22 - AUG '25)

Promote Entertainment Design Department bodies of work, creator of social media posts and materials bi-weekly

## IAPPA REPRESENTATIVE (NOV '23)

IAPPA expo representative and endorser of Ringling College of Art and Design

## TEA STUDENT GOVERNMENT REP. (AUG '23 - JAN '24)

Themed Entertainment Association RCAD branch student government representative and communications specialist. Budget request submissions and weekly public announcements management

## FOOD INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE (OCT '19 - APR '22)

Front of House Management, customer service, foodrunner

## **Proficiencies**

Revit, Rhino3D, AutoCAD, Enscape, Unreal Engine, Maya, ZBrush, Autodesk Construction Cloud, SketchUp, Adobe Suite, Procreate, Microsoft Office 365 suite, Google equivalents

## Skills

Creative problem-solving, Guest expereince, Project management, Collaboration, Leadership, Creative Visualization, Adaptability, Inter-disciplinary communication, Attention to detail, Technical curiosity

## **Awards**

Best of Ringling '24 - Gold Juror Award & Best Storytelling, Best of Ringling '25 - Outstanding Junior, Themed Attraction Showcase '25, Bronze
See website for more details tiakassimdesign.com

## References

Angel Barron - Principal Show Set Designer - Angel.Barron@universalorlando.com