



# JENNIFER BRAZAS

2415 s. St. Louis Ave. • 3rd Flr. Rear Apt. • Chicago IL 60623  
(708) 296-2179 • jenniferbrazas@aaart.edu • <http://www.savagesparrow.com>

## Objective

Motivated illustrator eager to create, design and draw with a conceptual pre-production team. I bring hands-on project management expertise and the necessary skills needed to take a project from pre-press to production.

## Education

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration  
Current student (expected graduation date 2009) • GPA: 3.8  
American Academy of Art • Chicago IL

## Professional Experience

### Mystic Revolution Comics

Self Employed • Jun '04-Present • Chicago, IL

**Creative Responsibilities:** Script, draw, ink and color two comic pages per week. Create attractive web banners for link exchanges and advertising campaigns. Design graphics and layouts for business cards, fliers, t-shirts, pins, posters, graphic novels, and other merchandise. Create and finish commissions requested by private collectors at both conventions and online.

**Administrative Responsibilities:**

- **Promotion:** Buy and sell ad space to promote and generate revenue. Network with fellow artists at comic conventions and online. Research comic book conventions and manage the scheduling, acquirization of permits, passes, and panel sign up.

- **Merchandise Mangement:** Maintain inventory records, research and resupply merchandise when necessary.

- **Accomplishments:** Mystic Revolution Vol. 1 has sold over 600 copies in a year and half, while Vol. 2 has sold nearly 200 copies over a period of 4 months. Both books were print runs of 1000 copies each. I have also managed to take Mystic Revolution's internet readership from 3 unique readers a month to over 100,000 unique readers.

**Managerial Responsibilities:** Train and manage convention table helpers to properly assist and attract customers, take money, and hand out merchandise and promotional items.

### Ultra Care Home Medical

ND Administrative Assistant Technician • June '03-Sept '05 • Melrose Park, IL

Filed away doctor/patient records (such as insurance, doctor's orders, nurse's notes, etc), keeping the copy room stocked, mailing out orders for doctors to sign, and to staff the file room at all times so as to ensure that no one breached patient confidentiality. Due to my excellent service over the course of two years, I received a pay raise.

## Skills

### Computer: Mac and PC

Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Image Ready, Macromedia Flash, Macromedia Dreamweaver, Corel Painter, Microsoft Office, HTML, blogging applications, FTP programs, Xcomic, Simple Viewer.

### Traditional media:

Pen and ink, ink wash, watercolor, markers (both Copic and Prismacolor), pencil renderings. Excellent conceptual work, storyboarding and sequential art techniques.

## Activities and Organizations

### American Academy of Art Anime Club

Founding Member and president for four years. During this time, I organized two guest lectures by manga artist Dirk Tiede, ran competitions, contests, screenings of new anime shows and movies, as well as general club meetings.

### Internet Groups:

ConceptArt.org member • DeviantArt • The Chicago Irregulars • Top Webcomic List • The Webcomic List • OnlineComics.net

### Awards and Exhibitions:

Sketch 22 • 2009

American Academy of Art Student Juried Show • 2009

Tate Publishing 2009 Illustration Catalog • Two accepted entries 2009

Albert Wagner Academic Achievement Award for Academic Excellence in 2008

ICMAD Young Designers Competition • Finalist 2008

American Academy of Art Student Juried Show • 2008  
25th Chicago Latino Film Fest Poster Contest • Honorable Mention 2007  
American Academy of Art Student Juried Show • 2007  
American Academy of Art Student Juried Show • 2006  
American Academy of Art Self Portrait Show • 2005

## Publications and Lectures

Comedyteam Interview • 2008 • <http://www.freewebs.com/comedyteam/interviews.htm>  
Frumph Webcomic Reviews • 2008 • <http://www.frumph.net>  
Alpha Rant #277 Podcast • 2007 • <http://www.alpha-shade.com>  
The Webcomic Watchman Review #23 • 2007 • <http://webcomicwatch.blogspot.com/>  
Inquest Gamer Magazine • 2002 • New York, NY

"So you wanna be an artist?" Ridgewood High School 2008  
"How to make it big in Webcomics" Anime Central, Anime Iowa, Reactor 2004-2008  
"Comic Coloring in Photoshop" Anime Central, Anime Iowa, Reactor, Ohayocon 2004-2008  
"Advanced Photoshop Tips and Tricks" Anime Central, Reactor 2007

