

Julia English

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Education

Syracuse University, College of Visual and Performing Arts, Syracuse, NY (August 2022 - present)

- BFA in Illustration expected in May of 2026
- Grade Point Average: 3.897
- Completed coursework in Illustration, Drawing, Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Digital Drawing for Illustration, Studio Art, Painting, Printmaking, and Woodworking
- Honors: Dean's List; Success Award; Invest in Success Scholar; Chancellor's Scholarship
- Activities: President/Founder of Mythos Magazine; Contributing Illustrator for The Daily Orange; College of Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) Ambassador; VPA Peer Advisor; and Radio Show Host for WERW Media (Syracuse Student Radio Station)

Highland High School, Highland, IL (2018 - 2022)

- Graduated in May of 2022
- Grade Point Average 5.0/5.0
- Honors: National Honor Society; National Art Honor Society; Art Department Top 1% Award; Highland Optimists Youth Appreciation Award
- Activities: Set painting for HHS musical and choir productions; Student Set Designer; Musical casts; Madrigal and Acapella Choirs; Color Guard; Environmental Club; Student Council

Work Experience

Mythos Magazine, Syracuse, NY (August 2024 - present)

- President, Founder, and Contributing Illustrator for a student-led magazine that connects artists and authors to create illustrated stories and comics
- Reviewed applications and selected an executive board; wrote the constitution founding the organization
- Applied for and received status as a registered new student organization beginning Spring Semester of 2025
- Implemented a successful recruiting plan, including social media posts and a film advertisement, that attracted over 40 members
- Leads weekly meetings and contributes to creative content
- Creates and monitors the schedule and deadlines
- Supervises fundraising efforts including shows at student band concerts and print sales at local businesses

The Daily Orange, Syracuse, NY (August 2022 to present)

- Contributing Illustrator for the school newspaper
- Uses digital media to create artwork to accompany assigned newspaper articles

City of Highland, Highland, IL (May 2018 - Present)

- Lifeguard and Swim Instructor for Korte Recreation Center and Highland Community Pool
 - Responsible for safety of adults and children during open swims and special events
 - Coordinates work shifts with co-workers to ensure lifeguard coverage during pool operational hours
 - Maintains Red Cross certificates in Lifeguarding, Water Safety Instruction, and First Aid
 - Swimming instruction for children in pre-school through elementary school
 - Provided positive reinforcement to children who are nervous about learning to swim

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Work Experience (Continued)

Freelance Illustrator, Highland, IL (May 2020 - Present)

- Artist working with procreate, ink, acrylic paint, oil paint, gouache, and markers
 - Designs posters, logos, and t-shirts for musicals, band concerts, and community events
 - Paints commissioned portraits, pet portraits, and decorated clothing

Community Involvement

VPA Ambassador, Syracuse, NY (August 2024 – present)

- Leads weekly tours for prospective students
- Supports VPA recruitment events

College of Visual and Performing Arts Peer Advisor, Syracuse, NY (April 2024 – Present)

- Mentors first year art and illustration students at VPA
- Corresponds with new students before they arrive on campus and answers their questions

Highland High School, Highland, IL (2019 - 2022)

- Set designer and lead painter for *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (2022)
- Set and prop painting for *Curtains*, *The Little Mermaid*, and Madrigal Choir productions (2019-2021)
- T-shirt designer for multiple musicals, choir productions, and the environmental club (2018-2022)

Hard Road Theatre, Highland, IL (2013 - 2022)

- Under the direction of HHS Art Teacher Laura Wander, assisted with painting the sets and props for summer youth musicals every summer from 2013 through 2019
- Production Assistant, T-Shirt Designer, and Assistant Painter for *The Descendants, Jr.* (2022)