

Artist Portfolio



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Dear Members of the Berlin School of Bussiness and Innovation Admission Committee (for Illustration),

I would like to apply for the BA in Illustration program at your school. This university program is my first choice among the programs I have looked into because it is specifically what I have been interested in most of my life. My love of art started when I was still very young and began drawing various animals. To this day, I draw almost daily. Hand in hand with that came my interest in stories and storytelling. The elaborate stories I have created in my mind since I was young inspire me to create new art frequently. I believe that this specific art program will continue to inspire me to create unique art, as well as teach me newfound skills and experiences that will allow me to pursue my interests and become the best artist and storyteller that I can be.

Besides art classes in primary and secondary school, I have not taken any drawing or illustration classes, but I have always received very good marks in my school art classes. There I learned a lot of technical skills as well as facts about art history. With the help and support of my art teachers, I have also had two personal exhibitions of my works (one online and one in my school) about my personal characters, and I have contributed illustrations to comic books that were about translation of English and German to and from Lithuanian. I have also won two art competition awards in my city. Most of these artworks are characters from my own personal story, which helped me stand out among other artists and gain the interest of both peers and teachers in my school. My love for comics also helped inspire me to participate in these competitions. My art is highly detail oriented and colorful, depicting fantastical creatures with deep lore surrounding them. And while I draw a lot of fantasy related creatures, I do like to sometimes draw darker themes with more human-like characters. The aspect of storytelling and worldbuilding usually leads me to make many different character designs, unique outfits, weapons or quirks, so every character has a memorable design. Some of the biggest things that have inspired my art and characters are the Lord of the Rings, Dungeons & Dragons, and Legend of Zelda. In addition, because of my love for dragons I have even received a few art commissions. While I do most of my drawing with colored pencils, my favorite medium, I have also worked with markers and paint and I have also created some digital works, though I feel a little less comfortable with those works, and I hope to improve on that in this university.

Outside the field of drawing/illustration, I have taken 5 years of ceramics lessons and 7 years of violin lessons. I am fluent in Lithuanian and English and I have studied some German in primary and secondary school. Apart from art as a hobby, I am also highly invested in video games. Not only can they have unique stories and adventures to tell that inspire me to create more elaborate characters or tales, but they also have art and character designs that can be very beautiful and compelling.

I believe that studying illustration at the Berlin School of Design and Communication will help me become a better artist and storyteller, and I look forward to the educational experiences that the program offers. I expect to become a better artist, develop my personal style, and learn other aspects of the field of illustration. My dream would be to hopefully create a graphic novel or comic book about my inner world and characters. I would also like to experience life outside my home country of Lithuania, and I believe that studying in Hamburg would provide a good opportunity for me to experience a multi-cultural environment where I can truly flourish and grow.

Thank you for your consideration of my application.

**With regards,
Emerald Hendrixson**



Title: The Good,
The Bad and The
Ugly

Backstory: Three
defining characters
from my story that
bring a great change
into the world. One
a dragon king and
mage, the other a
demon prince
adventurer, and
last, an elven
dragon knight of
chaos.

Materials: colored
pencils, black
marker



Title: Prince Emerald
von Eldritch

Backstory: A depiction
of Emerald in his
bedroom. Here he
often dreams and
awaits for someone
special who could
warm his heart and
soul in his everlasting
search for true
affection.

Materials: colored
pencils, black and
white pen



Title: The Crossdressing Demon Prince

Backstory: An outcast among his own people, Emerald had had enough of the restraining life of being a prince. He returned to his roots where he could freely be himself, a misfit demon. There, in the arenas of the Underworld, he becomes a performer and feared fighter. Which is where he earns the nickname of the Crossdressing Demon Prince.

Materials: colored pencils, black and white pen



Title: Aethu

Background: Aethu is a peaceful pirate bard. Born in a cruel land she strives nothing more than to take down the tyrants that rule it. And while she's at it, Aethu documents the many findings of the far realms she travels into a book of wonders.

Materials: colored pencils, black marker



Title: Comic page for These Bloody Nights

Background: This focuses on a story outside my fantasy world. It's about a boy that struggles with the world, himself, and the people in it. As life seems to only get worse, a few choices lead towards an unseen outcome. And on that faithful day, he meets the killer in the woods.

Materials: pencil



Title: Slade and Emerald

Background: A strange yet deeply special bond between a killer and a disturbed boy, both desperate for affection.

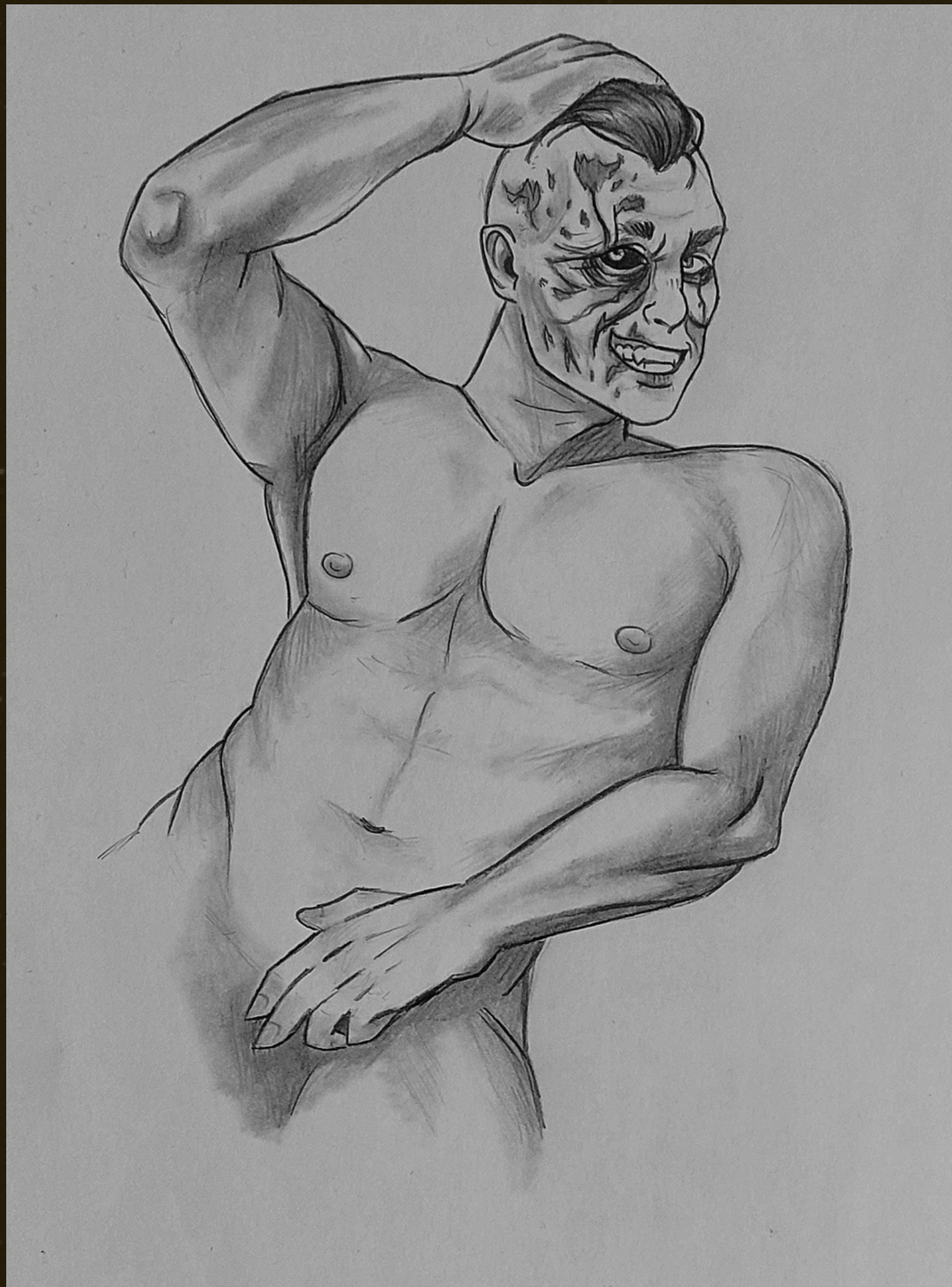
Materials: pencil



Title: Slade

Background: A nude drawing of Slade. He is an ex-mercenary, now hired killer. Also known as the butcher of the woods or the white wendigo.

Materials: pencil



Title: Eddie Gluskin from Outlast

Background: Body study of a character from a horror game.

Materials: pencil



Title: Mat, the fluffy pink dragon

Background: Character art I did as a commission and Christmas gift.

Materials: colored pencils and white pen



Title: White Dragon with Runes

Background: Another dragon character art commission I did.

Materials: colored pencils, black and white pen



Title: Arjhan the Storm Dragon

Background: Arjhan is one of the honored dragon protectors of Dragonia and close friend of Emerald Eldritch.

Materials: colored pencils, black and white pen



Title: Tavern Buddies

Background:
Three best friends hanging out in an Underworld tavern. On the left, Emerald, a demon prince and eldrich knight. In the middle, Prince, a serpent noble and feared headhunter. And on the right, Flame, a red dragon with an infernal lineage.

Materials: colored pencils,
black and white pen

