



# Emily Koons

## ARTIST + TOY DESIGNER

Offering expertise in character design and illustration. Proficient with costume design and detailed patterns.

## SKILLS

### Traditional:

Drawing  
Character Design  
Concept Sketching  
Painting  
Bead-work  
Hair Styling

### Digital:

Illustrator  
Photoshop  
Rhino 3D

### Languages:

French  
German

## EDUCATION

**Bachelor of Fine Arts | Major in Toy Design** 2017 - 2020  
Otis College of Art and Design - Los Angeles, CA

**Bachelor of Arts | Major in Studio Art** 2006 - 2010  
Mills College - Oakland, CA

## AWARDS

*Otis College of Art and Design - Dean's list* Spring 2019  
Spring 2018  
Fall 2017

*Otis College of Art and Design - Otis Scholarship* 2017-2018

*American Girl - Bay Area Employee of the Quarter* Summer 2016

## CERTIFICATION

*Safety Education Program - Certificate of Completion* Dec 2019  
The Toy Association - New York , NY

## EXPERIENCE

### DESIGN INTERN

June 2019- Aug 2019

Käthe Kruse - Donauwörth, Germany

Worked with the plush team to design a new line of infant toys. Developed a line of plush toys from sketches to prototypes. Worked on samples and tested patterns to see if they would accurately portray the sketch. Picked out fabrics and collaborated with an international team.

### EXPERIENCE LEAD

Aug 2016 - Aug 2017

American Girl - Palo Alto, CA

Assisted the Experience Manager to plan store events. Managed relationships with hotel partners to provide the American Girl experience to hotel guests through hotel exclusive products. Created employee schedules and ran the doll hair salon by making sure it was stocked, cleaned, and appointments were running on time.

### SALES ASSOCIATE

Aug 2014 - Aug 2016

American Girl - Palo Alto, CA

Assisted marketing and sales store personnel in setting up displays. Created and maintained effective relationships with back-end staff in order to obtain items. Provided assistance to customers in choosing or locating the right doll.