

Cole — 12/27/2022 3:15 PM

Hello! I'm Cole Robertson, I'm a student at Edison High School enrolled in a program called CIBACS, i do film stuff, yadayadayada. Basically for CIBACS, it's a business course where we learn the ins and outs of starting a small business and for my senior project, I have decided to write, market, publish and sell a Dungeons and Dragons Supplement Book. It would contain subclasses, magic items, spells, and a one-shot adventure. As a result of this endeavor, I am going to need art commissioned for it and I would love to see if that would be something you would be interested in! What I'd be looking for is different characters, scenes, magic items, and if this is something you would be able to do, backgrounds/landscapes for locations. If this is something you are interested in, please let me know, and also send me some of your personal favorite pieces of your work so I can get an idea of your style. I look forward to keeping in touch :)

SirSlaw — 12/27/2022 3:17 PM

Hello! It's nice to meet you!. Give me a moment and I'll send over some example pieces asap

Cole — 12/27/2022 3:26 PM

there are a couple of questions that i would like to have answered so i can provide you with the necessary information needed to work on a project in a manner that is the best for you :)

- 1) what would be your commission rate for a full-body character colored? i would like to know specifically how much so i can put aside the money now and make sure i can pay you fairly as ik how much work goes into these projects being a freelance designer myself
- 2) how much creative control would you like on the project? because of the nature of creating dnd characters, it can go any direction for how characters would look artistically. what i need to provide is the class and subclass to provide a general idea for the flavor but other than that i want to leave up to you. i can let you create an oc based upon that prompt and give feedback, i can provide a character description so you can translate that into a piece of art, i can create a mood board to provide you with an idea of what i would be looking for etc.
- 3) about how long does it take you to complete a commissioned piece? this is just to make sure i can create a timeline effectively for the book

last bit of information i'm going to give you for the sake of transparency: obviously this will go into a book that I am going to sell. as per request of the teacher advising this project, it would be necessary to create a contract for the art that will allow me to use, print and sell the art in the book. i want to make sure that is something you are ok with upfront so i can talk to the teacher about it if any conflicts do arise. let me know if you have any questions an i can't wait to work with you!

SirSlaw— 12/27/2022 3:51 PM

1. I usually do a name your price type commissions but the base price would be around 18 dollars without shading or a background, plus 10 dollars for each additional characters in the same image.
2. I think I work best the more specific detail I'm given , so a description might work best, but I can be flexible!

3. It depends on the size of the commission but I believe it should take me under two weeks :) if I need to expedite the art though I can work with a deadline, but I'd also like to be upfront with the fact that my schedule is pretty inconsistent at times
Will the book contain artist credits?

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Yes it will

SirSlaw — 12/27/2022 3:55 PM

Sounds good! Do you do venmo or paypal?

Cole — 12/27/2022 4:15 PM

Venmo

Cole — 03/12/2023 2:05 PM

Ok! before i ask for you to officially to do something, i want to make sure we have a price settled for what im asking so i can put the money aside first so i can pay you fairly
here is what i need:

Summon Phoenix Illustration: there is a spell in my book called summon phoenix, the illustration would look like a ritual circle and a phoenix made of pure fire coming out of it

Mask of Comedy & Tragedy: this would be a set of magic masks that look like a comedy and tragedy mask (if that makes sense)

constellation blade: a sword where the blade looks like space

Imk how much all that would cost me, i'm excited to work with you

SirSlaw — 03/15/2023 9:18 PM

Hey, sorry for the delay, been a little busy these past few days. So my prices are usually based on drawings of people or animals, so I'm not totally sure about items. Maybe for the items it would be \$10 each, and the summon Phoenix would be \$23. Would that be alright? Or is it too much? I don't mind haggling a bit because these are new prices for me lol

Cole — 03/16/2023 7:41 AM

Nono that seems good to me! Just so I can make sure that would be a total of \$43?

SirSlaw — 03/16/2023 7:59 AM

Yes :))

Cole — 03/18/2023 12:44 PM

ok! lil delay something came up but here is the info-

summon phoenix - i want to have it be from a top down perspective if that makes sense, i can give a reference if needed

masks - yeah so the 2 masks i want one to be leaning on the other, i can also give a reference on that

constellation blade - silver guard and pommel with a jet black leather handle and the blade i want to have the loose shape of a blade but some elements kinda bleed out. stars in the blade that connect making constellation shapes

lmk ur venmo so i can send over 1st half of payment

SirSlaw — 03/18/2023 1:24 PM

Alrighty! I'll probably be asking for more details when I start but if you have refs you wanna send please do :) Venmo is [redacted]

SirSlaw — 03/20/2023 2:43 PM

Gonna ask about some features and let me know if you'd like them included or not please :))

Noses

Wrinkles/laugh lines

Eyebrows

Also any markings?

Weathering/cracking?

What colors?

Cole — 03/20/2023 2:45 PM

Some weathering, no markings white, less detailed nose, wrinkles have fewer.

No eyebrows

SirSlaw — 03/20/2023 2:46 PM

Alrighty ty :) will send sketch when ready

SirSlaw — 03/23/2023 2:40 PM

Thoughts? Any changes to be made?

Can add a simple background or leave transparent, hollow the eyes or mouths, add dirt, color the lines differently etc

[mask image]

Cole — 03/23/2023 2:41 PM

thats great! exactly what i wanted :) please leave it transparent

SirSlaww — 04/10/2023 5:28 PM

Here's the phoenix sketch, what do you think? I thought a dark background would look good with the flames, but if you want a transparent bg or something else entirely I can switch over to that



Cole — 04/11/2023 2:44 PM

I apologize for the delay, looks exactly how I want it! On the final version I would like it transparent

SirSlaw — 05/01/2023 7:19 PM

(Final image of Phoenix)

If everything looks good I can send over the transparent

Cole — 05/01/2023 8:03 PM

all looks good!

Cole — 05/01/2023 8:08 PM

awesome ok! just want to make sure im not giving you too much in a short period of time, ap stuff is stressful rn i understand for many ppl

SirSlaw — 05/02/2023 1:11 PM

Thank you :)<3

So what kind of sword did you have in mind?

Cole — 05/02/2023 1:51 PM

I was thinking longsword for this

SirSlaw — 05/02/2023 4:30 PM



Thoughts?

I really don't know the first thing about astronomy so I just picked a few random constellations I found, if any of them need changing/removing lmk lol

Cole — 05/02/2023 4:35 PM

i think thats a really good start! maybe instead of the blade going formless in the middle sections i was thinking more of a formless shape at the tip of the blade. i do love the design you have tho with the constellations (even if they were random lol)

SirSlaw — 05/02/2023 4:57 PM

Alrighty ^^ I'm gonna line and color now. I was thinking about thinning out the lineart to give it a looser feeling but would you prefer I keep the relative same thickness as it has now?

Cole— 05/02/2023 4:58 PM

That's a good idea actually, didn't think abt that

SirSlaw — 05/02/2023 6:14 PM

[Image of sword]

How's this?

Cole — 05/02/2023 6:15 PM

Great!

SirSlaw — 05/02/2023 6:16 PM

Any changes before I send the transparent?

Cole — 05/02/2023 6:17 PM

Hm, is there anything extra shading wise you could do on the handle?

SirSlaw — 05/02/2023 6:26 PM

[Image of sword]

Better?

Or did you mean in another way

Cole — 05/02/2023 6:31 PM

Yup! That's what I was thinking :)

Cole— 05/07/2023 11:01 AM

question, what would you like to be credited as in the book (name, handle, etc.) and is there any account/portfolio you want there to be a direction for? was gonna make an index of artists at the end of the book with the pieces each artist worked on and link to their work (as well as in the credits

SirSlaw — 05/07/2023 11:09 AM

Pretty much my only online presence is my discord or twitter so I guess using my twitter @coldslaws for credit would be the best option.