

## Natalia Nik (Nikulina) – Artist & illustrator

### SUMMARY

Moscow based artist and illustrator. She has a MFA degree in Illustration at the Academy of Art University in San Francisco and has a degree as an artist-stylist (Faculty of Applied Arts in MSTU, Moscow). Since 2000, member of a few international artists Associations. The personal creative life is embodied in the creation of paintings in graphic style (traditional and digital techniques). Her artwork is a synthesis of real images and fantasies. She often uses symbolism and hidden signs that motivate the viewer for a deep interest in their own interpretations. She likes to observe how characters or objects begin their life in the process of work and are sometimes ready to tell their own story. Some of her pieces are in private collections in Russia and abroad. Participants in various Russian and international art exhibitions and contests.

### EDUCATION

MFA Illustration, Cum Laude | 2020  
Academy of Art University – San Francisco, CA  
MA Artist-stylist, with honors | 2000  
A.N. Kosygin Moscow State Textile University – Moscow. Russia

### ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

2016 - Masha Kurbatova (Russia) - watercolor painting  
2015 - Course of «Book Illustration» in the University of the Arts, Chelsea College of Art and Design (UK)  
2014 - Angus McEwan (UK) - watercolor and collage 2014 - Vincent Jeannerot (France) - botanical watercolor painting

### EXPERIENCE

- Freelance artist | 2004 - present - graphic art, watercolor, mixed media painting, digital painting, illustrations
- Art Director | 2008-2019 | NUANCE – Moscow
- Curator and illustrator | 2016-2018 | «Port Skazok», audiobooks for children with illustrations | mobile app

### ACTIVITIES. AWARDS. EXHIBITIONS:

2021 - Luxembourg Art Prize 2021 (warded with a Certificate of Artistic Merit)  
2020 - ART PORTRAIT International festival of portraiture. (Nominated for 1-nd and 3rd place in «Experimental graphic portrait». (Nominated for a 1-nd place in «Portrait in an avant-garde manner». (Moscow)  
2019 - Colors of Humanity Art Gallery. "Black and White" online exhibition. (USA)  
2017 - ART BUSAN 2017. International Art Fair. Busan. (Korea)  
2017 - M.A.D. Gallery Contemporary Art Biennial 2017, (Milano)  
2016 - Art Shopping exhibition in Paris, Carrousel du Louvre. (France)  
2016 - «Russian Art Week» in Moscow (Nominated for a 1-st place in Book illustration)  
2015 - «Russian Art Week» in Moscow (Nominated for 2-nd and 3rd place in «Experimental graphics» (portrait)  
2005 - Solo exhibition of graphic works «Travel». (Moscow)  
2002 - exhibition of young artists - «Moscow through the eyes of young people» (exhibited photos)  
2001 - exhibition of young artists - «Moscow through the eyes of young people» (color graphics)  
2000 - international fashion illustrators competition «New Russia - XXI Century», diploma.

2021 - Became member of AOI UK  
2020 - Became member of the Eurasian Art Union  
2016 - Became member of International federation of Artists. Russia.  
2000 - Became member of the International Artists Fund. Moscow Association fo Artists (Graphic section)

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### WEB PAGE / PORTFOLIO

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### SKILLS

Graphite  
Ink  
Watercolors  
Mixed media  
Digital Painting

### SOFT SKILLS

Communication  
Flexibility  
Adaptability

### LANGUAGES

Russian & English