

Aniyah Faisal

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Education

TORONTO METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY, 2022 – 2026

Toronto, ON

Bachelors of Fine Arts, Film Studies.

ETOBICOKE SCHOOL OF THE ARTS HIGHSCHOOL, 2018 – 2022

Toronto, ON

Major in Film Studies

Experience

S. A Stories, April 2026 – May 2026

Freelance Editor

Remote

- Created a demo reel for actor Saman Ansari
- Created five small scenes the actor, including title card creation, sound design, colour grading, editing the shot footage

GTM Bantercast, December 2025 – ongoing

Freelance Editor

Remote

- On call podcast episode editing
- Review 40 + minutes of raw footage, and edit it down to the desired length
- Created into and outros for the podcast's brand

TORONTO METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY, September 2025 – April 2026

Producer and 2D Animator

Toronto, ON

- Producing and managing paperwork and pipeline schedules for a 2D animated fourth year thesis film
- Working as a 2D animator, using Toon Boom
- Managed 70 crew members simultaneously
- TMFF Awards Won: Achievement in Score, Achievement in Sound Design

ART TUTOR, June 2025 – ongoing

Oakville, ON

- Teaching a high school students clay-motion animation and the needed pre-production work for it
- Teaching still-life drawing and painting techniques
- Assisting on portfolio building for university applications

ART ADDRESS, 2018 – 2025

Event Photography

Oakville, ON

- On-call photography, videography and editing for Art Address's local artist talks and events

TORONTO METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY, December 2025 – April 2025

Stop Motion Animator

Toronto, ON

- Stop motion animator on a fourth year thesis film
- TMFF Awards Won: People's Choice Awards Night 2, Achievement in Production Design, Achievement in Sound Design, Achievement in costume design

DOWNTOWN OAKVILLE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, April 2025

Event Photography

Oakville, ON

- Photography and editing for Downtown Oakville's one-day Easter Egg Hunt event. The photos are used on their website and social media platforms

GOETHE-INSTITUT TORONTO, May 2024 – August 2024

Student Intern

Toronto, ON

- Shadowed Program Curator Jutta Brendemuhl
- Assisted on drafting program blurbs for TIFF events under the Goethe-Institut

THE RED HEAD GALLERY, June 2023

Freelance Photography/Animation

Toronto, ON

- Full day photography to create a stop-motion animation for the members of Red Head. The animation was displayed during an exhibition.

GRAY MATTER PRODUCTIONS, June 2023

Production Assistant/Wardrobe in-charge

Mississauga, ON

- On set for *Kalã*, directed by Arshad Khan. The film premiered during the Inside Out Toronto Film Festival, Tiff Lightbox

Volunteer Work

OAKVILLE GALLERIES, June 2018 – August 2018

Assistant, Art Camp

Oakville, ON

- 98 completed volunteer hours
- Coordinated and managed projects
- Maintained clean and neat operational facilities
- Supervised students and assisted them during art projects

Achievements and Awards

- Named on Dean's list all four years of undergrad, Toronto Metropolitan University, Toronto.
- Directed, wrote and edited the documentary *Our Reality Is Happy* in 2019. Nominated at Lift Off Film Festival, UK in the First time Filmmaker category. Accepted into the UNICEF Innocenti Film Festival 2019. Shown in Mosaic International South Asian Film Festival, Mississauga.
- Interviewed live on Breakfast Television, CityTV, and CBC Metro Morning for the documentary *Our Reality Is Happy* in 2019.

Skills & Interests

Computer Skills: Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Premiere Pro, After Effects, Lightroom), Davinci, Feather 3D, Toon Boom, Microsoft Word

Skills: Directing, producing, cinematography, editing, colour grading, 2D and mixed media animation

Soft Skills: Project management, extensive art knowledge, efficiency, adaptability, attention to detail

Languages: English (Native), Urdu (Proficient), French (Beginner)

Interests: Animation, illustration, painting, cinematography, editing