

# Wendy Grieb

## Art 487E Character Design

### TV Character Design Assignment

1. Choose one scenario from the list of TV shows provided to you below.
2. Rough out a design for your character and any other sidekick, pet, etc. Revise your design after being critiqued. Draw a clean version of your design, be sure that the cleaned up version is consistent and "on model".
3. Draw a turnaround of your character in a neutral pose (No fancy poses....keep it simple): front, profile, three quarter front and rear, rear, profile. (5 turnaround poses)
4. Draw an Expression Sheet: 7 Full Body expressions, 7 expressive poses of your characters hands, 4 busts (head and shoulders) in different attitudes and angles.
5. Any other special poses or notes that an artist may need to draw the character.

#### **Choose one Animated TV show from the following:**

##### ***Things to keep in mind:***

Line quality: thick to thin, consistent, wiggly, etc.

Simplicity: Is the design esthetic for the show more naturalistic, more designed, flat, simple but with volume and form, etc.

What shapes are being used?

How many fingers do the characters have?

What time period is the show, when is it happening?

Where does the show take place primarily?

How old are the characters in the show? What demographic and/age are they aimed at?

What type of program is being used to animate them? Flash, Maya, drawn, etc?

**Kim Possible:**

A new spy has come to town. It seems that Kim Possible is going to have some competition. Design the new spy and give them an animal sidekick. Name the spy and the side kick.

**Foster's Home for Imaginary Friends**

A new imaginary friend has come to the home. They don't remember who their owner was, or where they come from. Design the new Imaginary friend with personality and give them a name.

**Gravity Falls**

A new relative of Mabel and Dipper has come to visit and have brought their pet as well. Who are they? What are their names?

**Kung Fu Panda**

Someone new has arrived in town to train with Master Oogway with hopes of joining the team.

**Steven Universe**

Steven has just found out that he has a sister/brother! Design his sister and give her a name. She/he is older than Steven

**Teen Titans Go!**

A new hero has come to join the team, but they clash with one of the other existing team members. Who do they clash with and who is the hopeful new member? Give them a name.

**Avatar**

Another Avatar has shown up. Who are they and what is their name? Give them a spirit pet (like Appa)

**Pig, Goat, Banana, Cricket**

One of the 4 characters relative (mom, dad, aunt, uncle, cousin, etc) has come to stay with them for a month. Who are they and what is their name?

**Clone Wars**

Design a new Jedi. Name them. Design their light saber.

**Wander Over Yonder**

Wander meets a new villain. What is their name and what is their evil specialty. Give them a weapon.

**The Amazing Adventures of Gumball**

New neighbors just moved in next to Gumball. One of the kids is gumballs age. Give them a name and design them. Think about what their personality is. Will they be best buds with Gumball , a jock type, nerdy, shy, mean, etc.

### **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles**

Master Splinter has taken a vacation and has enlisted the help of another master to watch over and counsel/ train/mentor the turtles in Splinter's absence. Who is it and what is their name? Are they good or bad?