

ANIMATION ACADEMY: THE SECRETS OF DRAWING DISNEY CHARACTERS

Designed for Students
Grades 8th-12th
Ages 13-18

Program Length
1.5 hours

Park Location
Various locations at the
Walt Disney World® Resort

SYNOPSIS

From the early pioneering days of Walt Disney and his animation team to today's groundbreaking technology, characters play an essential part in giving life to animated shorts and feature films.

Character ideas spring from people and things around us in everyday life; friends, the next door neighbor, a pet, the kid down the street—they all have the stuff that makes great characters. The way a character is designed tells us a lot about them—time in which the character lived, their age, comic or noble, and more!

In this learning adventure participants discover how basic geometric shapes combine to create iconic Disney characters that have us experiencing a myriad of emotion. Guided by a Disney Artist, students use artist quality materials to illustrate their very own Disney Character. Along the way they'll add some basic techniques and tricks to their repertoire of core art skills to help give their future drawings a professional edge!

LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing Animation Academy: The Secrets of Drawing Disney Characters, participants will be able to:

- ✓ Understand and demonstrate fundamentals for constructing an animated character
- ✓ Articulate how personality can define design
- ✓ Articulate the "secret" of character driven animation
- ✓ Apply new knowledge to continue the practice of character design