

# TAMITOLPA

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## EXPERIENCE

1998 - present

Owner/Artist

Tolpa Studios, Inc. - Seattle, WA (previously located in San Francisco, CA and Los Angeles, CA)

Providing creative medical illustration, natural science illustration, and animation to national and international clients.

November 2003 - April 2005

Senior Medical Illustrator

Medsn, Inc. - Culver City, CA

Created medical illustrations and animations for pharmaceutical and medical device clients. Served as creative team leader, provided art or scientific direction to colleagues, and conducted scientific research as necessary.

August 2000 - June 2003

Scientific Illustrator/Animator

Artemis Creative, Inc. - Palo Alto, CA

Created original medical and scientific illustrations and animations for use in print, web sites, trade shows, and digital presentations for biotechnology and life-science clients.

January 2000 - May 2000

Senior Artist

eMind.com - Los Angeles, CA

Created original medical illustrations, interactive exercises, and animations for online continuing medical education courses. Project involvement included identification of appropriate art content for each course.

March 1999 - January 2000

Medical Illustrator and Web Designer

Victory Technology, Inc. - Sonoma, CA

Created original medical and scientific illustrations for online continuing education courses (EMT and paramedic) and for textbooks. Developed medical web animations and multimedia exercises.

## EDUCATION

1996 - 1998

Rochester Institute of Technology

MFA Medical Illustration, minor in Interactive Media Design

1991 - 1995

State University of New York at Binghamton

BA Studio Art (with honors), BA Environmental Studies (Magna Cum Laude)

## SKILLS & MEDIA

Illustration, animation, story boarding, exhibit design, and web design; expertise in Photoshop, Illustrator, and Flash; proficiency in After Effects, Dreamweaver, InDesign, Quark Xpress. Familiarity with the 3D environment.

## HONORS

2009 Certificate of Merit, Association of Medical Illustrators: illustration

2006 Certificate of Merit, Association of Medical Illustrators: illustration

2005 Certificate of Merit, Association of Medical Illustrators: illustration

2004 Rx Club Award of Excellence: art direction and illustration

2003 Semifinalist in the National Science Foundation Scientific Visualization Challenge: illustration

2003 Recognition for excellence in Flash in Journal of Audiovisual Media in Medicine: animation

2002 Rx Club Award of Excellence: annual report illustration

2002 Award of Excellence, Association of Medical Illustrators: illustration

2001 Rx Club Award of Excellence: illustrations in 2 annual reports

2001 Macromedia Showcase: "What's Asthma All About?"

2001 Certificate of Merit, Association of Medical Illustrators: illustration

1998 Vesalius Trust Research grant for graduate thesis project

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## ASSOCIATIONS

Association of Medical Illustrators, professional member 1999 - present  
AMI Board of Governors, 2007 - present  
Guild of Natural Science Illustrators, member 1998 - present

## TEACHING

July 2010  
Association of Medical Illustrators Annual Meeting - Portland, OR  
Workshop Presenter  
Gave an afternoon technique presentation.

July 2009  
Association of Medical Illustrators Annual Meeting - Richmond, VA  
Workshop Presenter  
Gave an afternoon technique presentation.

September - December 2006  
Cornish College of the Arts  
Adjunct Faculty  
Taught 2 first-year design classes: Digital Drawing (Adobe Illustrator) and Digital Darkroom (Adobe Photoshop).

August 2006  
Association of Medical Illustrators Annual Meeting - Cambridge, MA  
Workshop Presenter  
Taught a one-day (2 session) workshop on techniques for using Adobe Photoshop with Flash.

June 2006  
Guild of Natural Science Illustrators, Southern California Chapter - Los Angeles, CA  
Meeting Presenter  
Gave a half-day presentation on setting up a freelance business.

July 2003  
Association of Medical Illustrators Annual Meeting - New Orleans, LA  
Workshop presenter  
Co-taught a one-day workshop addressing the design of illustrations and animations for use in Microsoft PowerPoint.

October 2002  
Rochester Institute of Technology - Rochester, NY  
Visiting alumnus  
Led a 2-day presentation with medical illustration students where I presented samples of my professional work, advised and critiqued students in their Flash animation class, and discussed post-graduation employment strategies.

January - May 1995  
State University of New York at Binghamton - Binghamton, NY  
Teaching assistant, fine arts printmaking  
Assisted with instruction, grading, and critiques.

## EXHIBITIONS

2010 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Portland, OR  
2009 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Richmond, VA  
2008 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Indianapolis, IN  
2007 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Bozeman, MT  
2006 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Cambridge, MA  
2005 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Thousand Oaks, CA  
2004 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Cleveland, OH  
2003 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; New Orleans, LA  
2002 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Austin, TX  
2001 Association of Medical Illustrators Salon; Pacific Grove, CA