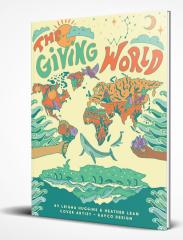


GEORGIA-TBILISI





## ILLUSTRATOR INTERVIEW

1. What is your technique and medium of drawing and painting?

I mostly work in digital art nowadays, but I also love to draw in more traditional ways, especially watercolors.

2. How do you get inspired to produce a piece of artwork?

A great tactic for finding inspiration, of course, based on art - I look at Individual Portfolios of Artists, Illustrators, or Photographers. This is a stream of new experiences. Sometimes music helps ...

3. What artist inspires you?

I don't have a specific artist who always inspires, It all depends on the mood...

4. What do you do to overcome a creative block?

When I have creative overloads, I try to walk in nature, hang the places of my childhood, completely move away from the gray city. Or just be with friends.

5. When did you start illustrating?

I have been drawing since childhood. However, I have been engaged in book illustration since 2006

6 What does art mean to you?

For me, art is everything, and children's illustrations make it possible to remain children at heart.

7. Tell us an unexpected fun fact about you, that might come as a surprise to others.

When I was a kid, I used to draw for school banners, It was the era of the Soviet Union. We were pioneers, Komsomol members. And the leader of the Soviet state, Lenin, had to be drawn almost every month, because the school banner had to hang in the school corridor And Lenin's head had to be drawn in the center of the banner. Yes, the banner was created by hand, and it was so boring that one day I cut out this drawn head from the old version of the banner and glued it to the new one. That's how I redesigned my school banner for the first time. The principal liked it and even let me keep tearing it out and then gluing Lenin on again and again. Then everyone joked - Lenin is tortured in the mausoleum, and now he gets Nino too!

8. Where are you from and what places would you love to visit one day?

I am from Georgia and I would like to travel to Japan, Thailand, India, and Italy someday.