# Tristan Bellawala

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# **EXPERIENCE**

## Lead Writer | Webtoon

December 2022 - present

- Researched web novel to create series bible and season outline for Webtoon original series
- · Collaborated with producers and editors to write the first season of [NDA] web comic adaptation

# Associate Writer & Community Manager | 555 Comics

August 2022 - December 2023

- Participated in professional writers' room to create comic series produced via social media
- · Managed social media accounts with replies, contests, outreach, and script input to the publisher
- Followed up with writers and illustrators to ensure comic, story, and animation deadlines were met

#### **Narrative Coordinator | Arrowhead Game Studios**

April 2021 - November 2023

- Assisted with writing, script preparation, world building, and dialog implementation for Sony AAA title: Helldivers 2
- Supported head of the narrative department and assisted senior dialogue coordinator, providing admin support with Excel file management, notes, and line accuracy checks
- Responsible for creation of marketing/pitch decks for presentation to high-profile distributor

### Film/TV Development Intern | Cake Studios

February 2021 – May 2021

- Supported executives Blake Reading and Carla Westlund
- Provided creative feedback and research with the team on an in-house TV series in development
- Wrote weekly script coverage on unproduced features and series, as well as on slated projects from the studio

## **Creative Development/Screenwriting Intern | Patriot Pictures**

June 2020 - August 2020

- Learned remote work software and online group collaboration during the initial pandemic stages
- Led market research on 30+ religious films to open new studio branch focused on the genre
- Wrote weekly script coverage while coordinating other miscellaneous admin tasks with the group

#### Screenwriting Assistant | Bettina Gilois

June 2019 - July 2020

- Assisted Emmy-nominated screenwriter during development of [NDA] Buddha Biopic series
- Researched literary adaptations: Fortune's Children and Weird Scenes Inside the Canyon, for pitch decks and scripts.
- Wrote script coverage and regularly took notes on office calls with producers and writers.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### Chapman University, Dodge College of Film and Media Arts, Orange, CA

May 2021

B.F.A. Screenwriting (summa cum laude) & B.A. Public Relations & Advertising (summa cum laude)

#### **AWARDS**

- Winner: Screencraft Animated Screenplay Competition 2023
- Semi-finalist Top 50: Academy of Motion Pictures Nicholl Fellowship in Screenwriting 2022
- Top Three Finalist in Animation Category: Final Draft Big Break Competition 2021
- Finalist + Honorable Mention Award: Screencraft Animated Screenplay Competition 2021

# **CERTIFICATIONS / SKILLS**

**Skills:** Microsoft Office Suite, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Photoshop, InDesign, Final Draft, Google Suite, Gmail, Google Docs, Google Sheets, Google Meet, Shotgun, Jira