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About the Author

Travis was born in Queens, New York. His childhood weekends were spent at the local comic shop and at the neighborhood cinema. He marveled at rocket ships, superheroes and giant monsters. He did thousands of sketches of genre characters like Godzilla, King Kong, and Ray Harryhausen creatures. As a young adult, he attended the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn. After a few years of freelancing, he began his current body of work. The influences for his fine art are genre films, human oddities, circus sideshows, old Vaudeville magic acts, Victorian portraits, and things otherworldly.

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