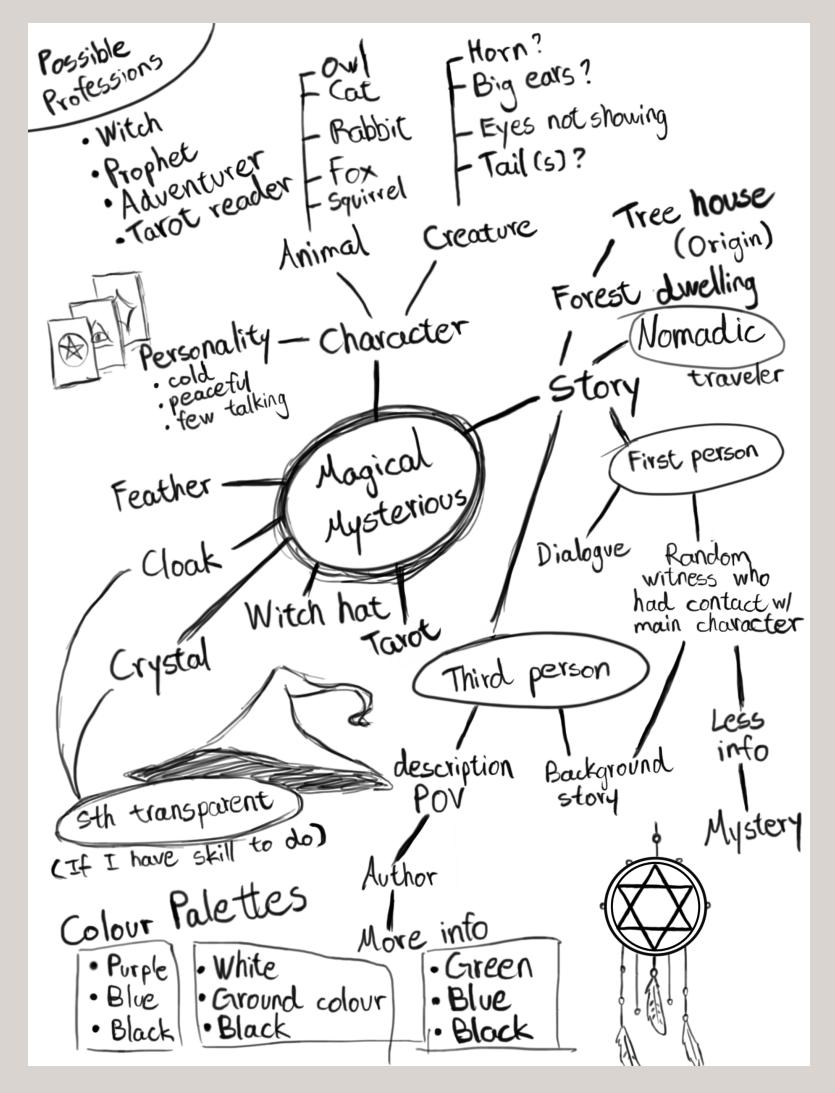
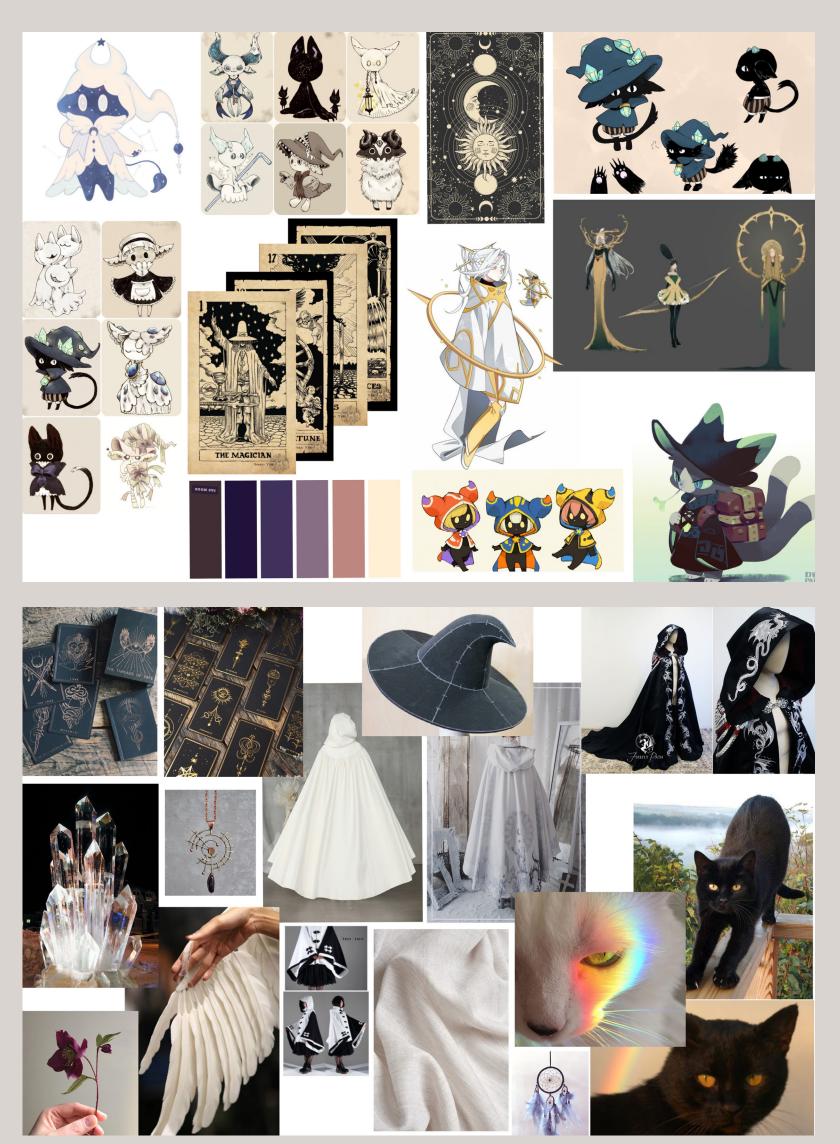
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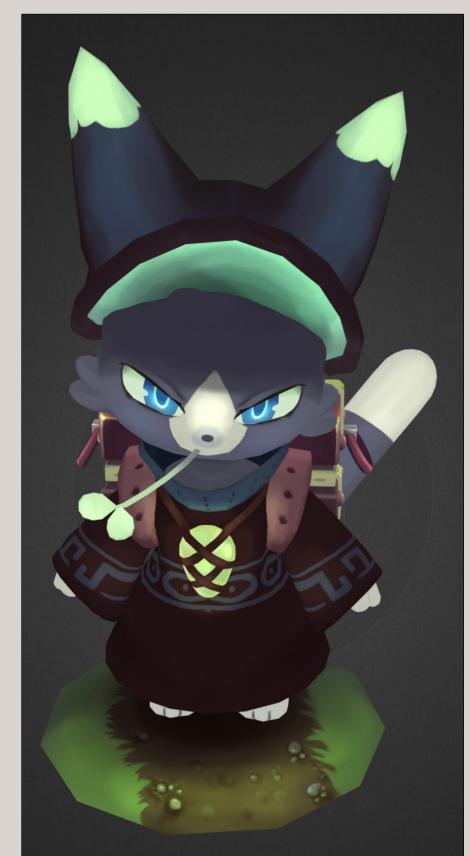




For the Game Arts elective, I want to create a character using magical and mysterious as theme. By collecting references for my moodboard, I have chosen to develop an animal based character with black, white and yellow as main component of the colour palete. Although dark tones of purple and blue are also frequently used in wizard and magical characters, I intention was to challenge myself by avoiding the common sense. After deciding the possible colour palete, I considered squirrel and cat as the animal reference to develop the character. Both animals have pointy ears so this feature will be added, and the specific element from squirrel I wish to use is their big tails, while from cat is their eyes.

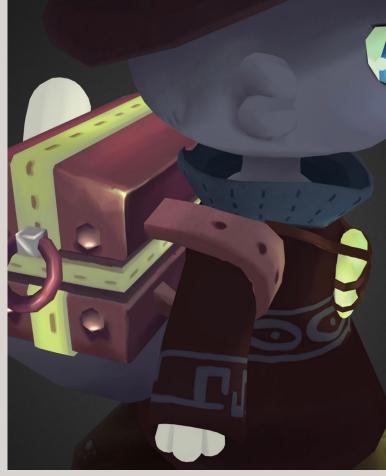
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Artist Reference



Cat Mage by Fen Beatty Concept art by Ovopack







Wizard Cat by Natalie Crabtree Concept art by Heikala







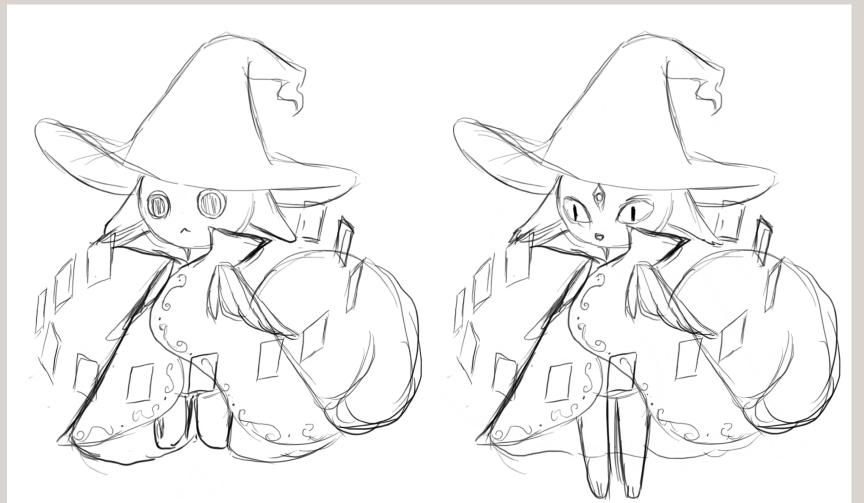
I have chosen two artists who used same theme wizard cat to model. The model made by Fen is more 3D alike while Natalie's model is more 2D alike because of the different use of texture, shadow and render effect. However, they do have many similar features too. Most part of design such as gown, the cat appearance and silhouette, which I have taken as reference for my design, are the common characteristics of two cats. Personally I really liked the textures of Natalie's model, the sketchy feature of the black cat's skin and the cotton mesh of the clothing are extremely intriguing, so I would like to use as reference for my final texturing. Meanwhile in Fen's model, the sculpting marks are more visible comparing to the other character, which is also visually interesting and technically achievable with my modeling skill.

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"Nobody knows his name. Some villagers around the forest say he is only a mysterious pilgrim, but others say he is a witch who has some kind of prophetic power that allows him to see the future... Rumors has been wandering around, people who had chance to have a consultation with him told me that he uses his third eye to see their fate or maybe he is just the power of the weird flying tarot. About the other information I heard, he used to live in the forest, however, for some reason he decided to travel around the world, maybe just to contemplate the different cultures of each kingdom."