

SofsDoodles Artist Profile

SofsDoodles, also known as Sofia, is a Malaysian doodle artist that creates comics about her life experiences in hope to help others feel less alone in their feelings. SofsDoodles started in 2013 as the instagram page @SofsDoodles, which Sofia created to help motivate her to keep creating art in her adult life. After a tough year, SofsDoodles began to be a place Sofia shared illustrations to help her well-being. When learning the doodles were helping others around her, she began to create art with the intention of helping her community in some way.

Sofia is a self-taught artist that illustrates with pen and paper and digitally. She also works with water colours and has painted multiple murals in Canada and Malaysia. After growing up overseas all her life, SofsDoodles returned to Malaysia to reconnect to her roots. She documented her experience in "Sof's Doodles: Returning To My Roots", a comic book she is publishing with Malaysian Publishing House in 2021.

Through SofsDoodles, Sofia has given workshops on doodling and wellbeing, been hired to draw at events, sells commissioned pieces to small businesses and clients, been featured in zines and newspapers and completed two virtual art residencies with KCH Haus and Filamen. She is also a recipient of CENDANA's 2021 Create Now Fund, where she is funded to give refugee students doodle workshops for a month, and create an e-comic book of their stories.

You can find her work painted on walls in Vancouver, Kuala Lumpur and Tioman Island, shared weekly on her Instagram page @SofsDoodles, soon on the shelves of MPH and in homes of loved ones and strangers.