

Wish You Were Here: *Teerawat Palanitisena*

When did you live in the Bay Area, and what brought you here?

I think I came in 2003. I came to study art.

What prompted you to leave?

I was in the Bay Area for quite a few years studying and working. I missed out on a lot of events and happenings back in my country throughout the years. My friends' wedding, my grandparents passing away and their funerals. While I enjoyed my time in the Bay Area, I decided to go back home to spend time with my family.

Where did you end up?

Back to Thailand, my home country.

Has your artwork changed or evolved since you left the Bay Area?

I think my art style gets influenced by what's surrounding me and what media/tools are accessible at the time. I don't know if my art evolved or devolved. It went through a bit of change but I think there is still some whimsical sensibility of my past work left in it.

What are you up to now?

Right now I'm working in a videogame company as a concept artist. On my free time I make comics and work on my personal projects. I started using Instagram(@pipibonbon2) to post my new work and reach out to new audience.