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I illustrate whenever I can other than that I'm at home with my 3 year old boy.

1. I've always been drawing here and there on paper but digitally I've started end of the year 2017.
2. I'm so happy I have a growing audience for my illustrations. I think it was my boyfriend's sister that first asked me to illustrate for her blog and from then on I just continued on since I had fun doing it.
3. I'm all self taught, but have more to learn. I am considering going to university.
4. Top 3 buys I would say are 1. a little notebook (or digitally an app) to write down ideas and save images that inspire you 2. invest in the tools that you need, for me in illustration it had to be some sort of drawing pad and 3. a laptop or desktop computer
5. I'm nowhere near where I want to be but starting up I think you shouldn't pressure yourself too much or compare yourself to other creatives, I feel most importantly is not to force yourself to create something cause you end up not liking it anyway. Important for illustration as a business I think is having your work on display as some sort of portfolio, have your emails on check, and know who you want your client demographic to be.
6. I have to admit I don't really check my feed as much as I used to, but I guess all types of illustrators in general inspire me. I watch YouTube videos of illustrators as well and it's always nice to learn their tricks.
7. My goal for this year is to learn how to animate! That's the next project.
8. I don't really live by any mantras, but I have a belief that everything happens for a reason. And that God's timing is real.
9. I haven't really collaborated with anyone and I don't have anything specific in mind but I'm open to any opportunities.