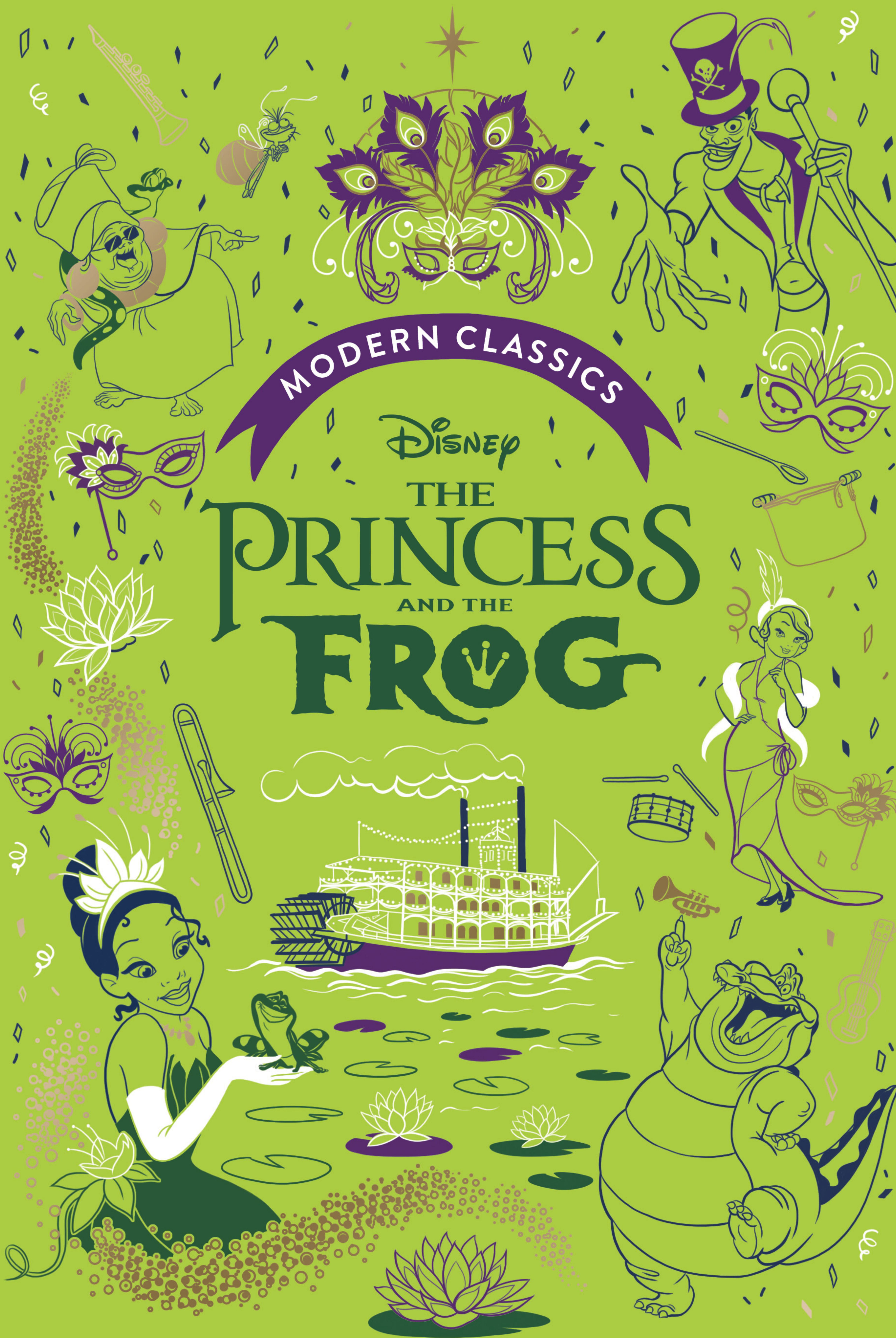


MODERN CLASSICS

Disney
THE
PRINCESS
AND THE
FROG





Tiana explained how a story in Charlotte's book said that if they made a wish on the Evening Star, that wish would come true.

Tiana's mother and father encouraged her to wish, but her father said that wishing could only take her so far. Tiana also needed to work hard to make that wish come true. James made Tiana promise that no matter how hard she worked, she would never lose sight of what was important.

Once she was alone, Tiana rushed to the window to make her wish.

"Please, please, please!" Tiana wished, closing her eyes. She clutched the picture to her chest as the star twinkled silently. When Tiana opened her eyes, she found she wasn't alone, as on the windowsill there sat a frog.

Illustrating young Tiana, adult Tiana and frog Tiana all provided different challenges for the artists. **MARK HENN / ROUGH ANIMATION (TIANA) / RUSS EDMONDS / ROUGH ANIMATION (FROG) / JOSIE TRINIDAD / STORY SKETCH**

The frog croaked, and Tiana screamed and ran from the room.

Tiana wished hard, and as she grew up, she worked hard, too. But after fourteen years of working and saving every penny she could, her wish had not come true. Meanwhile, Tiana's father died during the war, but even though he wasn't there beside her, Tiana never gave up on their dream.



Tiana wishes on a star to bring her and her father's dream to life. **LISA KEENE / DIGITAL**

As they floated over the bayou, Naveen told Tiana about Dr Facilier. Tiana couldn't believe Naveen had trusted his future to a magician. She blamed herself for wishing on stars when the only way to get what she wanted was through hard work.

Naveen didn't understand why a princess would need to work hard.

"I'm not a princess; I'm a waitress," Tiana said.

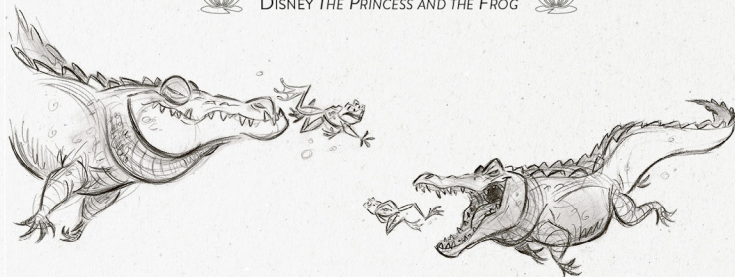
Naveen was angry. He told Tiana that the magic had not worked because she had lied by dressing like a princess.

"It was a costume party, you spoiled little rich boy," Tiana snapped.

Naveen laughed, admitting he had no money, either. But his laughing ceased as their balloons popped, and they splash-landed into the bayou.



In the deep south-east of the United States, offshoots of rivers through marshy lowlands create swampy regions known as bayous. CRAIG ELLIOT / DIGITAL



Tiana and Naveen's entrance to the bayou is a mad, chaotic dash as they try to escape being eaten by predators, all while arguing. BILL SCHWAB / GRAPHITE

The fall did not stop their argument. Tiana said Naveen had lied about being wealthy. Naveen admitted that his parents were wealthy, but they had cut him off.

Suddenly Naveen screamed at a leech he found on his arm.

Tiana pulled it off and tossed it aside, but watched in horror as an enormous fish gobbled it up.

Naveen and Tiana scrambled away, but were almost skewered by a bird. As they ran, Naveen told Tiana of his plan to marry Charlotte to get rich.

Once they had caught their breaths, Tiana asked Naveen to swear he would grant her wish, but Naveen said things had changed.

As he spoke, Naveen saw logs in the water, moving towards them.

"Those aren't logs," Tiana cried. They were alligators!

"I got me one boys," Reggie cried, as Darnell and Two Fingers went after Tiana.

Two Fingers caught Tiana, but she wriggled out of his grip.

Behind them on the path, Louis spotted the hunters and squealed, leaping into a prickly bush, which made him squeal even louder.

Looking to see what had startled Louis, Ray saw Naveen in Reggie's net.



Having escaped the bayou's predators, Naveen and Tiana run into the unlikely trio of Reggie, Darnell and Two Fingers. **RIK MAKI / GRAPHITE, DIGITAL**



Ray flew into Reggie's nose. As Naveen made his escape, Ray buzzed around inside Reggie's face. Reggie got rid of the bug, blowing him out of his nose in a glob of snot into the river.

Meanwhile, as Tiana ran from Two Fingers, she found her path was blocked by Darnell, with his enormous wooden bat raised above his head. Darnell fell and knocked Two Fingers down, but also catapulted Tiana into one of their traps.

"Pa! We got one!" Darnell cried.

Reggie paddled the boat away, with Tiana in the trap.

What Two Fingers lacks in digits, he makes up for with weaponry. **BILL SCHWAB / GRAPHITE, DIGITAL**

Naveen watched as Reggie left with Tiana. He fired his tongue after the boat. The boat pulled Naveen behind, until he slammed into the back. Naveen hid under Reggie's hat. Reggie took off his hat to scratch his head.

"What you two gawking at?" Reggie asked, as Darnell and Two Fingers stared at the frog on his head. The hunters swung at Naveen, but missed. Darnell and Two Fingers battered Reggie as they tried to strike Naveen.

Two Fingers pointed a shotgun at Naveen as the frog clung to Reggie's face, but Tiana escaped her cage and jumped on the barrel just in time.



At the wedding, the minister asked if there were any objections to the couple getting married. In a box, at the couple's feet, Naveen the frog objected by sending his sticky tongue through the keyhole. Meanwhile, believing Lawrence to be Naveen, Ray fluttered at his ear to ask what was going on. But Lawrence swatted his hand. As Ray fluttered away, he saw Naveen's tongue flick out of the box. Ray flew into the keyhole and freed Naveen from the box. The minister was just about to pronounce the couple man and wife, when Naveen jumped at Lawrence.

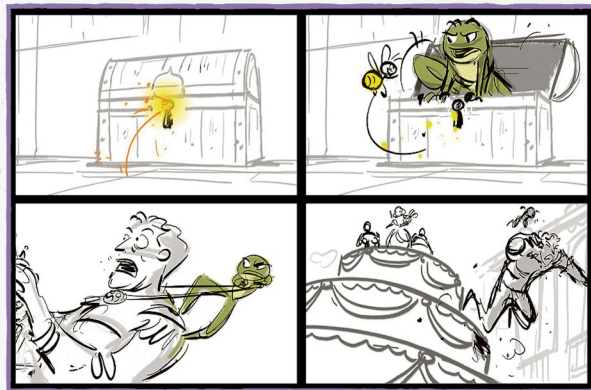
Charlotte called after her groom, as he grabbed Naveen and ran inside a building. Naveen asked how Lawrence could treat him so badly, but Lawrence said he was paying him back.

Suddenly Dr Facilier stepped out of the shadows and ordered Lawrence to get back to his wedding. But before Lawrence could move, Naveen seized the pendant, and Lawrence was a prince no more.

"Stop him!" Dr Facilier cried. Lawrence managed to grab Naveen, but Naveen tossed the pendant to Ray, who dragged it out of the door. Dr Facilier summoned the spirits to chase after him.

Ray flew through the crowd, and passed Louis in the parade. When Louis saw his friend being chased by the spirits, he dashed after him, roaring loudly.

Ray found Tiana in the graveyard and showed her the pendant. Ray said it was proof that what they had seen wasn't true, but before Ray could say more, Dr Facilier's spirits arrived. Ray told Tiana to take the pendant and not let it get to Dr Facilier.



The leadership team gained inspiration by visiting New Orleans during Mardi Gras. PAUL BRIGGS / DIGITAL (ABOVE AND OPPOSITE)