Karim Callwood is an artist born and raised in St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands. Growing up in a family of five boys, Karim discovered his love of drawing at eight. His interest in art was inspired by Marvel and DC Comics however, the behind-the-scenes look into the making of Disney’s Little Mermaid further piqued his interest.

Karim has been passionate about comic books for many years. He took that passion and created his first comic book "No More Paradise" in 2019 and then in 2021 his best-seller "VI Guardian" was created. The VI Guardian series features Darrion Wells, a Virgin Islands superhero VI Guardian, who utilizes his powers to oppose the rapidly growing inhumane activities of the organization known as Cloud.

In 2019, Karim started offering the Learn to Draw Portraits, Comics, and Anime classes which teach multiple drawing techniques. Classes such as these help open paths for students interested in the art field and expose them to the possibilities this talent provides. Facilitating the students has been an enjoyable experience rather than a job.

In 2022, the "VI Young Paladins" comic book features students from the Learn to Draw Portraits, Comics, and Anime classes. Working with his students and seeing the joy and excitement they showed during class, the idea came to create a comic book featuring them as heroes.

This is just the beginning of an even larger vision to help build the art industry locally. Karim continues to work with students and is committed to lifelong learning to fine-tune his skills.

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