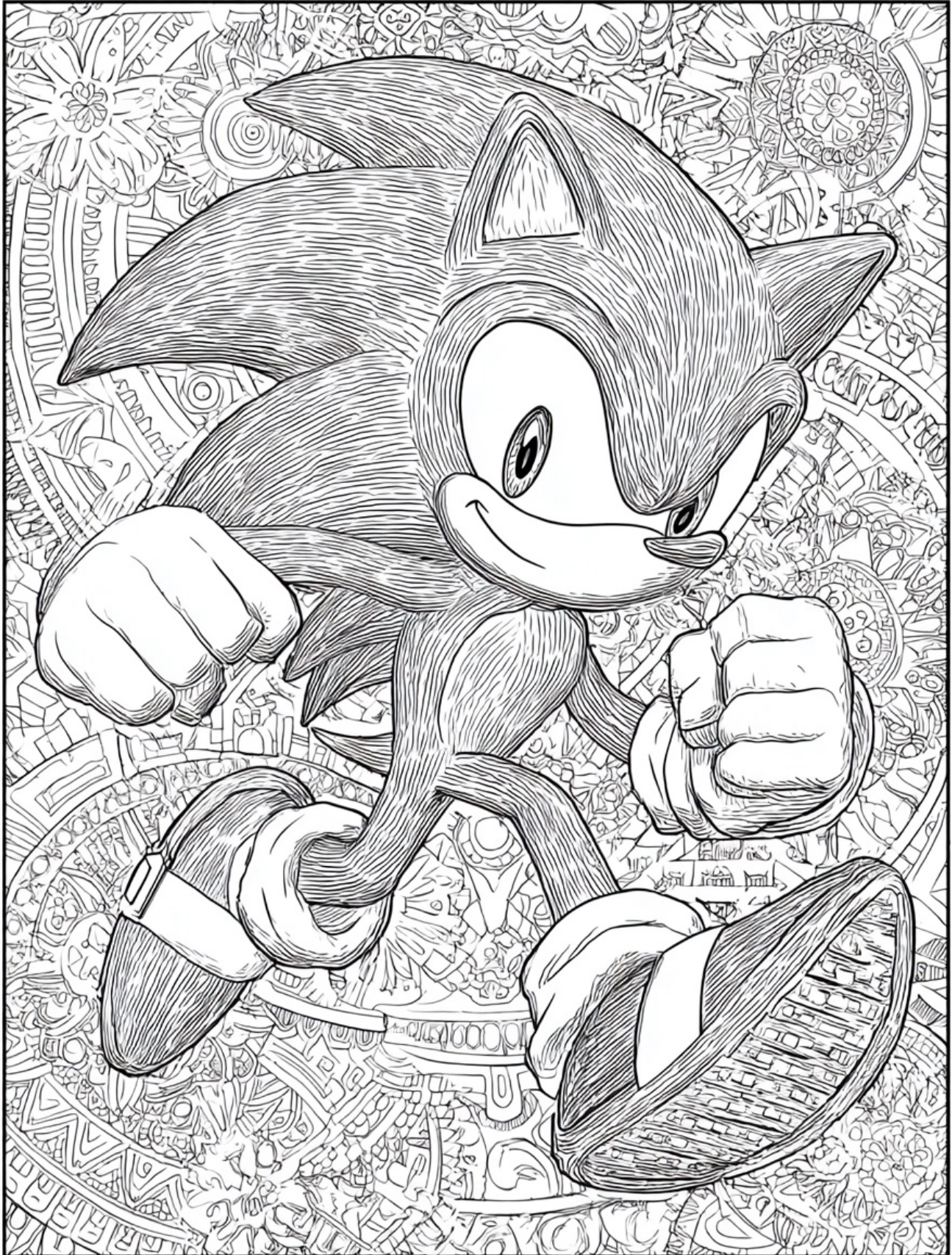




Los Angeles, California, 1991. The first time Sonic the Hedgehog was seen in a video game, he was a blue hedgehog who could run fast. He was the first character to be designed by a woman, and he was the first character to be designed by a woman who was not a Japanese woman.