

KUNG-FU PANDA
"Tournament of Champtions"
Original Script Pages
Jed - Oct 2003

This was the first sequence boarded for the film and where I tried the completely new take on Po's character as a "Fanboy" of Kung Fu. Gary Trousdale (our director at the time) gave me permission to try this and it ended up informing who Po would be.

After this sequence I was given Final Draft and asked to re-write and then write more sequences for both myself and other launches, but for this sequence I wrote it straight ahead as boards (Miyazaki Style), then transcribed dialogue to pages (Below) at the end for recording.

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Dialogue Transcribed for Recording.

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KUNG-FU PANDA

“Tournament of Champions”

Dialogue from Storyboards

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PO(movie voice): In a time when heroes lived and died by their honor, there was a place where each year the mightiest warriors would journey from the furthest reaches of the earth, to scale the highest peak, and there would test their skills in the Tournament of Masters, against the FURIOUS FIVE. And I will rise to that challenge in order to become, the next MASTER!

SHIFU: and what Po, is the essence of being a master?

PO(movie voice): TO STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE OF SELF!

SHIFU: So you will study others, to achieve excellence of self?

PO: NO—not just others, the furious five!

SHIFU: Yes yes, of course, the furious five are great masters, but the river must follow its own course lest it-

PO: Shifu, many pardons, but we've arrived.

ENTER HILLTOP TOURNAMENT

PO: Wow! So many challengers!

GROUP OF CHALLENGERS: Master Shifu!!!(Salute)

Shifu salutes back

HORSE: Get your programs, herbs, tiger balm, scrol-Hey kid, right here this is volume eight, of the –

PO: --FURIOUS FIVE MASTERS SERIES OH MY GOD! That's not even supposed to be out yet! Wow new snake section, sweet! This tells you how to disarm an opponent with only your tail! I'll take two please, I need to keep one unopened.

Po catches up to Shifu

PO: Look here's your section master, see

SHIFU: Hmm they always make me look like a turtle.

PO: I hope I have a section in here someday. Panda Style, right next to yours.

SHIFU: That's interesting, and what would I find in YOUR section Po?

PO: Are you kidding that's EASY! You'd find.....uh.....

((GONG))

PO: Holy Crap! They're starting!!

SHIFU: Wait PO! There's no reason to run!!

They enter the arena through the 'challengers' area.

SECURITY: Uh sorry sir you don't have a challengers ta---oh master shifu, many pardons, so sorry!

SHIFU: quite alright, Po admires shifu.

BADASS VOICE: WELCOME, TO THE TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS!!!!!!
PLEASE REMAIN SEATED AND SILENT DURING THE SHOW!!!!

Po sits down behind a tough dog and pig

PO: HI! You guys here for the tournament too?!

They look at him annoyed

Po sinks a little, then all attention goes to:

((IMPORTANT DRUMMING))

Furious Five appear.

PO: There they are!!!!



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PO
OR, NO, MASTER!!!

PO
I'm not a master

SHI PO
AND WHY PO IS THIS -

SHI PO
- of Impudence -

SHI PO
- TO YOU?

PO
BY CHANGING COURSE IN THE
GREAT MOUNTAIN

SHI PO
SO YOU WILL STOP OTHERS TO
ACHIEVE EXCLUSIVITY OF SELF?

PO
NOT JUST OTHERS

PO
THE FURIOUS FIVE!

SHI PO
Yes, yes, of course,

SHI PO
The Furious Five are Great Masters

SHI PO
The Furious Five are Great Masters

SHI PO
But the Kicker must follow -

SHI PO
IT'S YOUR PATH TO GET IT -

SHI PO
WAST PRIDE,

PO
But we have ATTITUDE

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DURING THE SHOW

x2

x2

FIRST CHALLENGER

SONG!

P:
POO
THIS IS AWESOME!!

P (Muffled) YOU CAN HAVE MINE

T: EAT TO WIN!

T: I hope you're...

T: Picking a winner is way harder
than you think

T: How hard is a prize

T: You... no Muffins





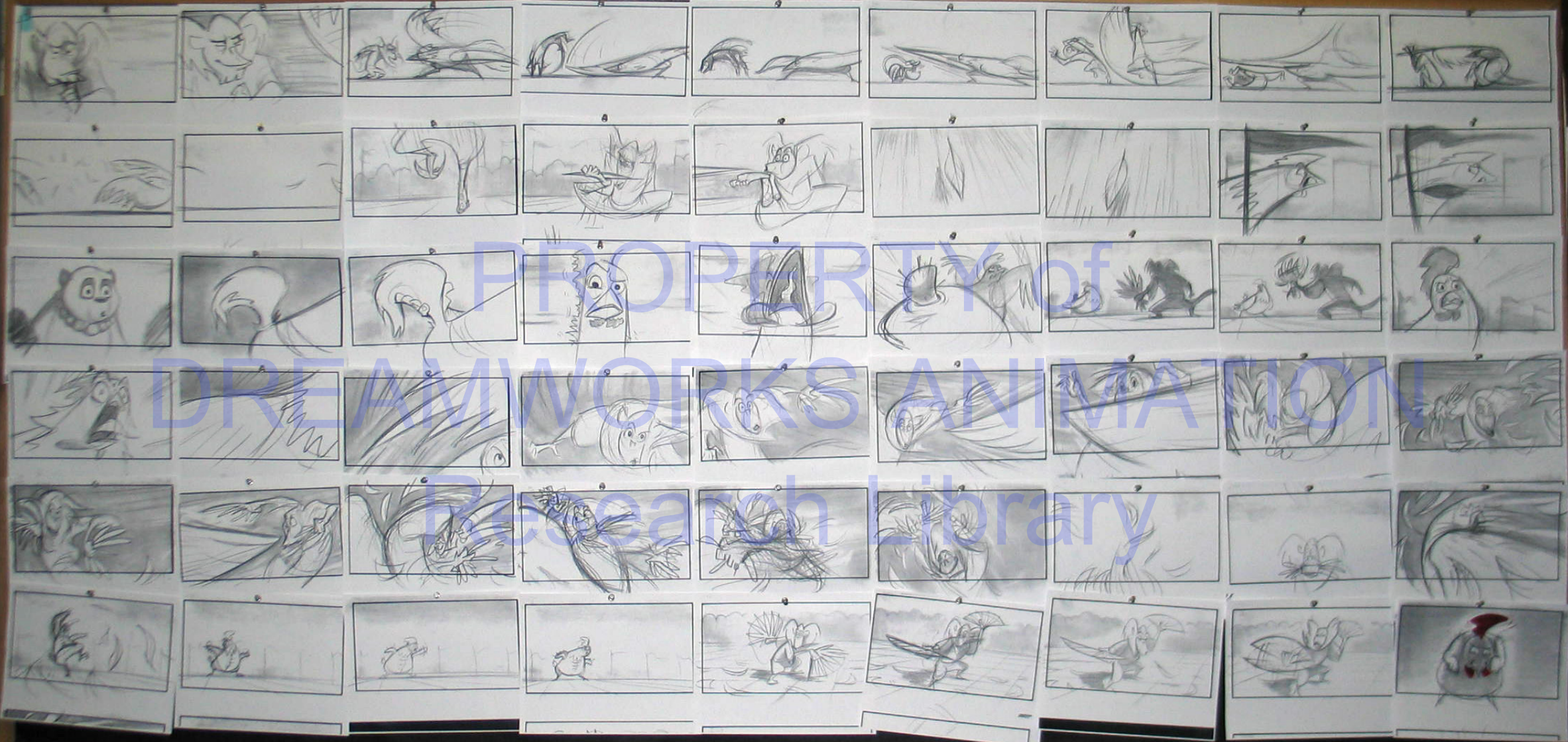
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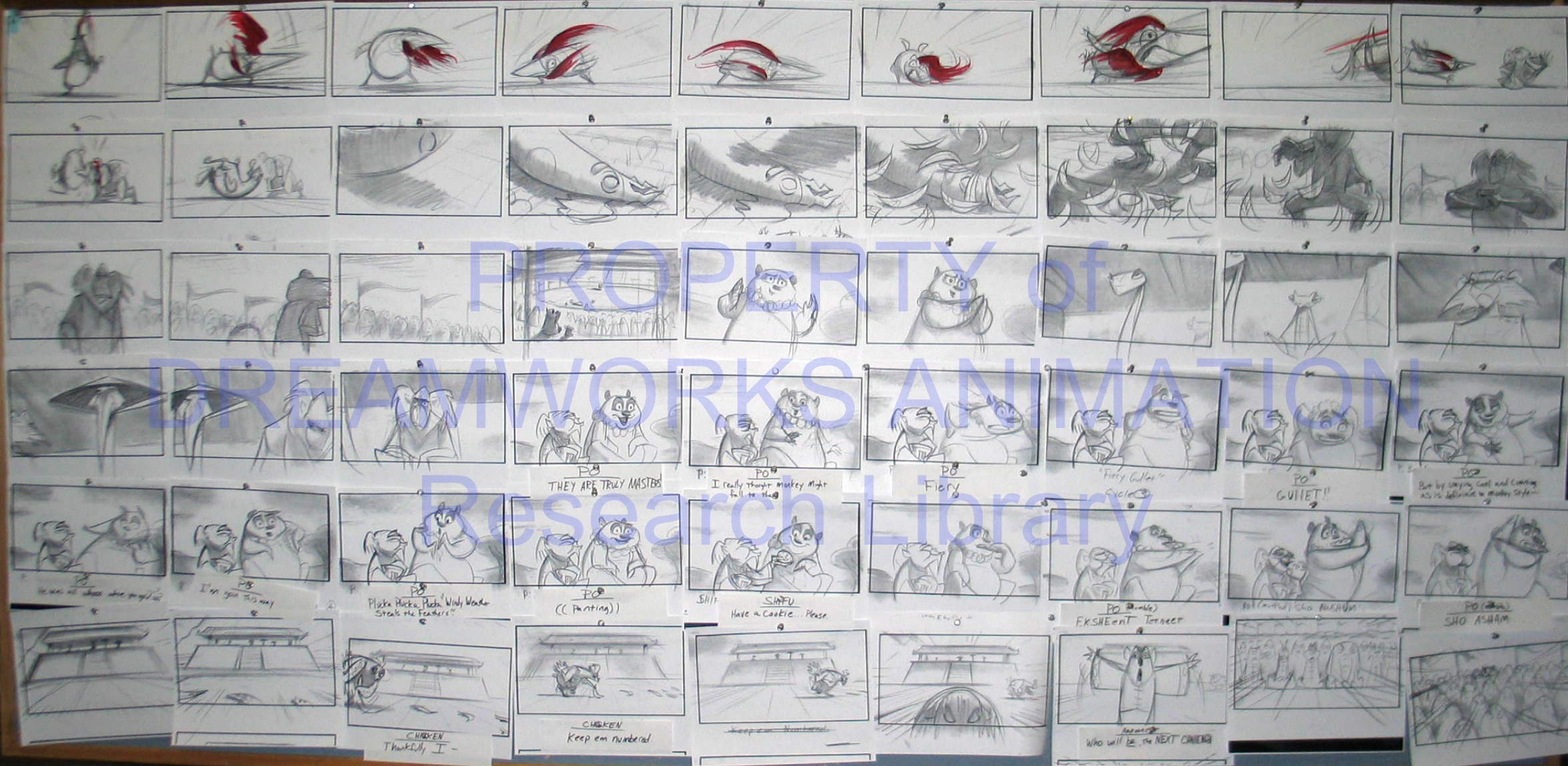
TIGRESS
He studied under

TIGRESS
General TSO

POB?
IRON MONKEY!!

CHICKEN
IRON COCK





Po
THEY ARE TRULY MASTERS

Po
I really think monkey might
fall to the

Po
Fiery

"Fiery Gullies"
Sycia

Po
QUIET!!

Po
But by saying Cool and Coolish
as he believes in monkey safe

Po
I'm on you this way

Po
I'm on you this way

Po
Plucka Plucka Plucka Windy Wacka
Steals the headers!

Po
((Panting))

SHIFU
SHIFU
Have a Cookie... Please

Po (mumble)
EKSHENT Jerneer

Po (mumble) SHO ASHAM

Po (mumble)
SHO ASHAM

CHICKEN
Thankfully I -

CHICKEN
Keep em numberal

Keep em numberal

Who will be the NEXT CHALLENGE





FIGHT!!!

Don't forget that when cartoonists have us with their characters, we don't forget that we're in a world that's...

NAIFS ((Gruff))

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KYAAAAAAAAAAAAA!

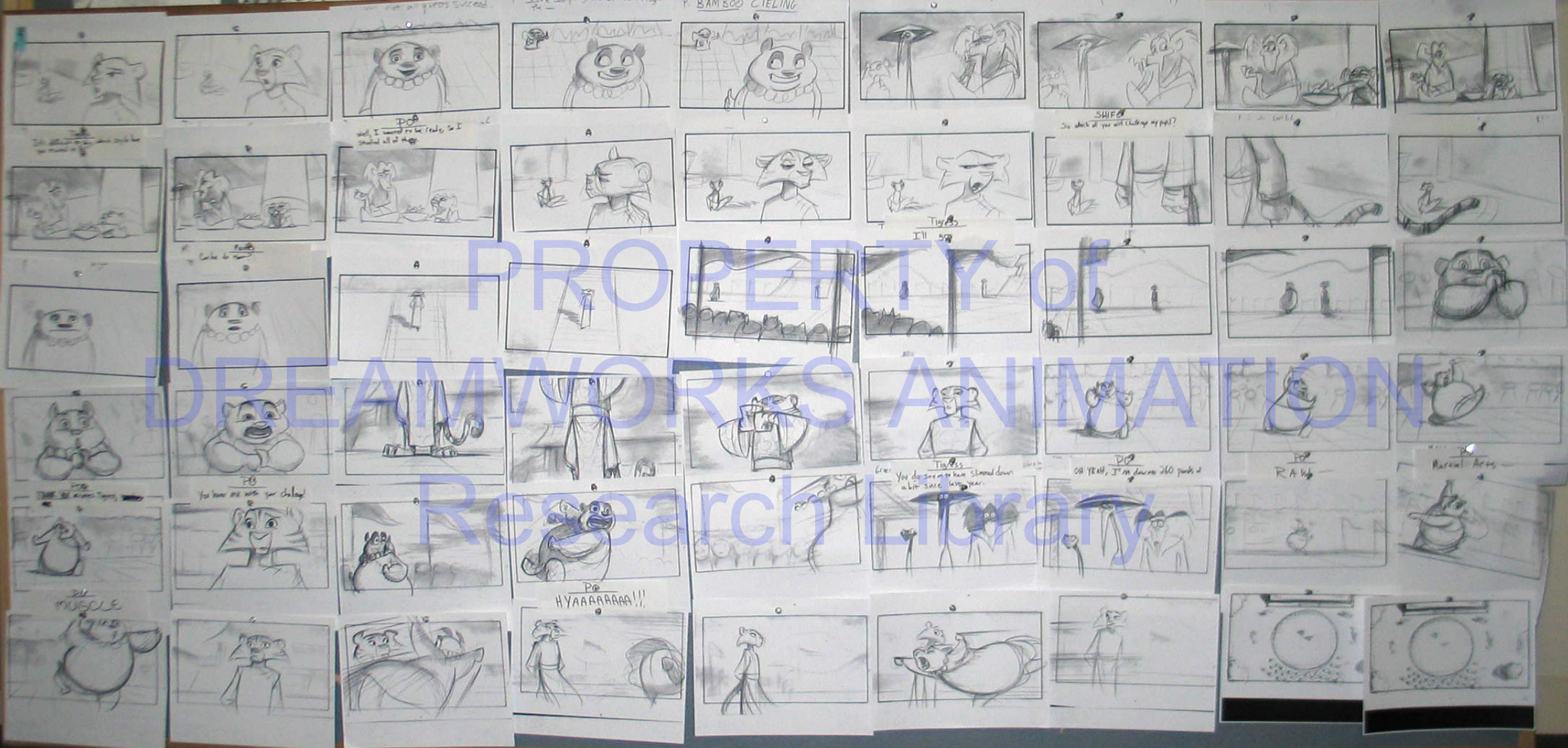
MOKEY Oh no. Not again.

Oh Great and Powerful One, which of you will give me the meanest Challenge to that I may have again and to be one of you.

OH OH!! WATCH!!

SAME Thank you a million, right?

NAIFS ((Gruff))



an all gross success

Some bad/funny break through

P. BAMBOO CIELING

SHIFU
So what if you will challenge my pup?

TIGRIS
I'll say

PO
RAH

TIGRIS
You do seem to have slumped down a bit since last year

PO
OH YEAH, I'm downer 360 pounds

PO
HYAAAAAAA!!!

PO
You have one wish for challenge!

Parent Arts

So what if you will challenge my pup?

What is this?

PO
I'll challenge you

PO
I'll challenge you

PO
well, I would've been ready, so I would've all of it

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P. STALLERED HORSE?

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P. ARY HAWK

P. ARRAY

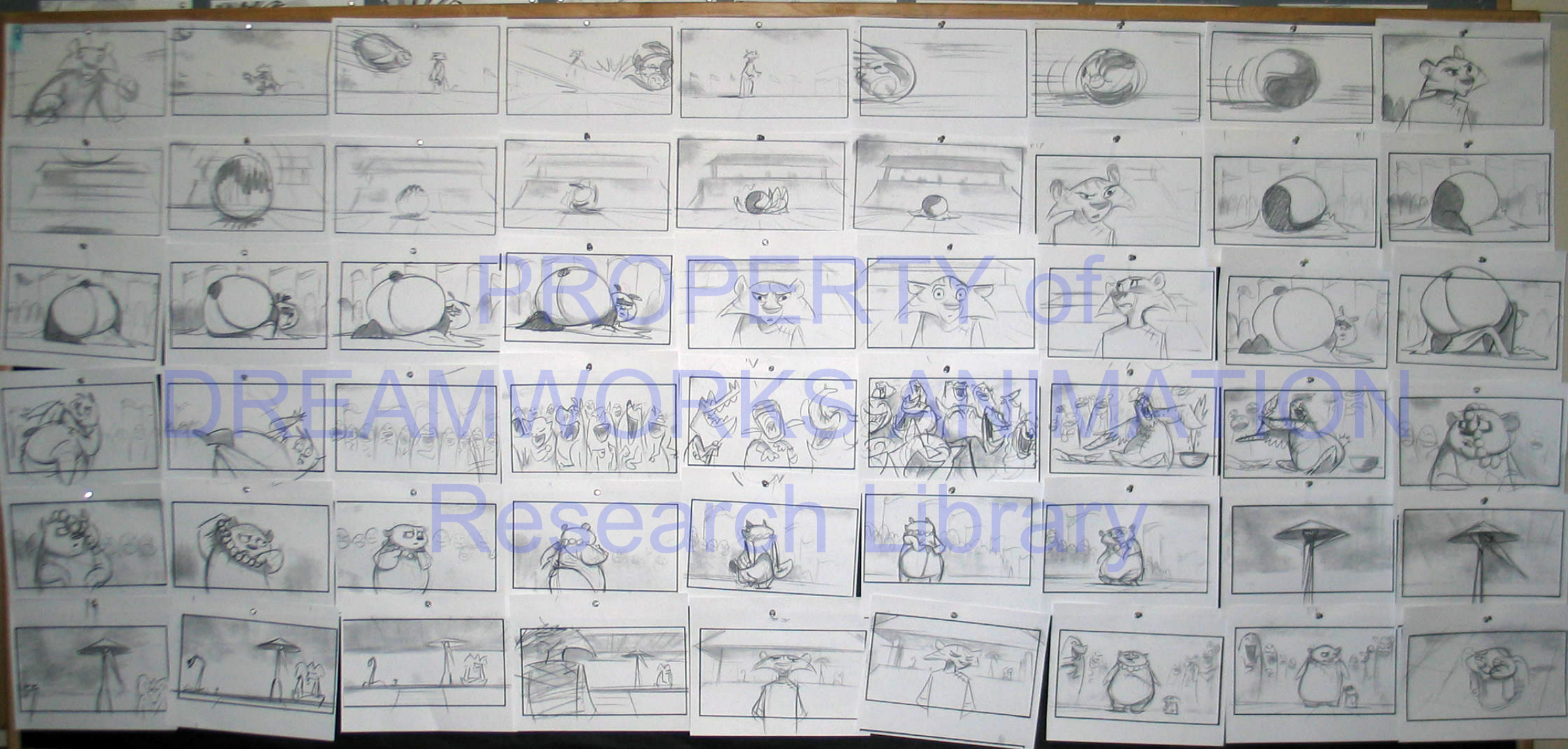
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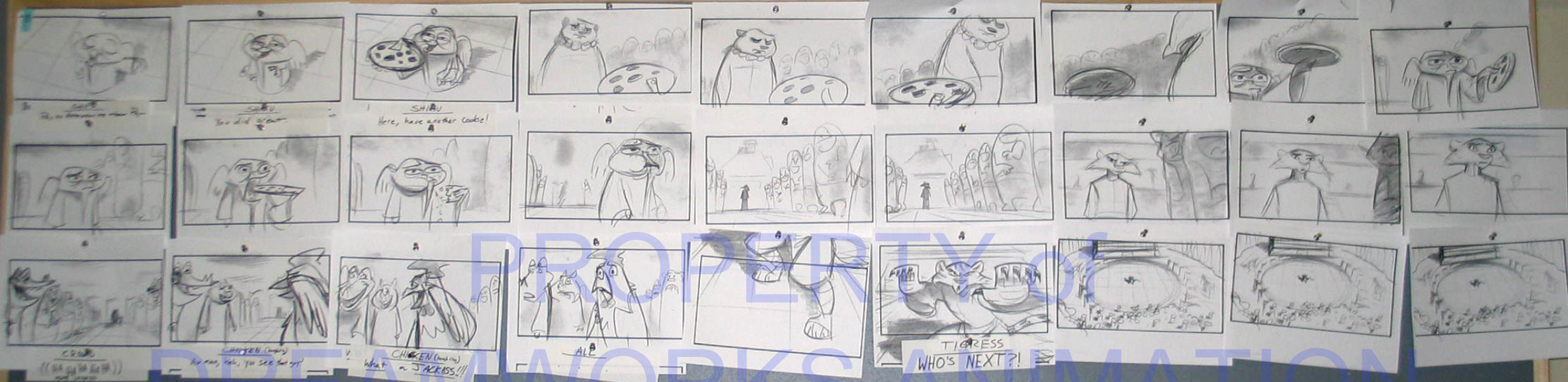
P. EAGLE!!

P. ANGRY BEE

P. HIDDEN BEELEN

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