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Professional Summary

Passionate and creative animator and artist with great attention to detail and work discipline. Proficient in 2D animation, 3D animation, character design and well versed in industry standard software such as Autodesk Maya and Toon Boom Harmony.

Highlight of Qualifications

- Well developed skills in 2D animation and animation fundamentals. Efficient in frame by frame animation and 2D rigs. Familiarized with the Toon Boom harmony node editor and deformers.
- Well versed in 3D animation workflow such as blocking, spline and polish passes. Experienced in multiple Autodesk Maya 3D character rigs and controllers.
- Proficient in digital art media such as tools, electronic devices and multiple software.
- Strong understanding of character and concept design. Efficient with shape languages, character turn arounds, emotion and action poses.
- Knowledge in story visualization and planning such as storyboarding and thumbnails.
- Familiar with 3D modelling and character rigging methods such as IK-FK switches, constraints and skinning.
- Developed efficient skills in Foley art, sound design and mixing.
- Adept at post production elements and software such as After Effects and Premiere Pro. Accomplished combining 2D, 3D and live action elements together in a single project.
- Excellent at working in a team environment with clear communication and problem solving skills.
- Skilled at dealing with the needs and demands of diverse personalities.
- Quick adaptability to different work environments and fast paced workflows.
- Excellent attention to detail, quality check and multitasking skills. Capable of receiving and applying feedback efficiently.
- Multilingual individual, fluent in English and Turkish with intermediate skills in French and German.

Technical Skills Summary

- Proficient in the industry standard 3D media software Autodesk Maya and familiar with the Arnold rendering engine and tools.
- Well versed in 2D animation software Toon Boom Harmony. Skilled at frame by frame animation, creating and managing deformers and navigating harmony rigs on the node editor.
- Experienced in using Adobe Creative Suite software such as Adobe After Effects, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, Audition for video editing and post production. Additionally, familiarized with InDesign and Canva at building PDFs, posters, portfolios and layouts.
- Familiar with Storyboard Pro for thumbnailing and visual story telling and animatics

Education

Animation, College Diploma

Sept 2022-April 2024

Conestoga College, Kitchener, ON

- Courses involved: Figure Drawing, Storyboarding, Character Design and Development, 2D Digital Character Animation, Animation Capstone Project, 3D

Modeling and Rigging, 3D Animation Full Body Performance, Animation Theory, Rendering, Lighting for Animation, Audio for Animators, Compositing, Broadcast Technologies for Animators

- Achieved total GPA of 3.72 in all levels to date

Academic Projects

Capstone Project, Conestoga College

Sept 2023-Apr 2024

- Prepared a 2 term production workflow starting from storywriting till the final spline polish pass.
- Adapted the 2D animatic sequence to 3D Layout with accurate camera angles.
- Modeled props and background and scaled and positioned them according to the camera angles.

Toontown Project, Conestoga College

Feb 2024-Apr 2024

- Created a 20 second animation and post production project combining 2D, 3D and live action elements.
- Utilized Autodesk Maya, Toon Boom Harmony, After Effects, Premiere Pro, Audition and green screen.

Relevant Work Experience

Storyboard and background Artist (Field Placement)

Feb 2024-Apr 2024

For The Love of Hollywood Animatic Trailer, Conestoga College, Kitchener, ON

- Collaborated with both the storyboarding and background team to increase communication and enhance the quality of the overall production.
- Used constructive feedback from the Director and client to increase the quality of work and to ensure the end product is tailored to the needs of the client.
- Corded with the entire production team to help deviate up the work to ensure everyone was being utilized to their max potential to speed up and increase the quality of the overall production.
- Ensured that all pots and equipment were sterilized and kept in a safe spot to ensure health and safety.
- Maintained customer satisfaction and visual appeal for the garden by orchestrating a regular deep clean of the garden centre.

Additional Work Experience

Dishwasher/Barista

Sept 2024- Present

Seven Shores Community Cafe, Waterloo, ON

- Maintained a 90% customer satisfaction rate by being adaptable and multitasking to address each customer's particular needs.
- Decreased the amount of prep time from an hour to 45 minutes by using new techniques to ensure prep is ready for when it is needed.
- Supported the back of house in front of house by balancing workloads to ensure customer satisfaction was met.

Cashier

Jul 2024- Ma 2025

FreshCo, Waterloo, ON

- Memorized and effectively used product codes to decrease the checkout time of each customer.
- Optimized cash-out times by simplifying the process, allowing an increased number of customers to be checked out.