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Education

Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Computer Animation, Minor in Creative Writing, May 2022

Art Experience

Director, Ringling College, Sarasota, FL, January 2021 - present

- As part of a thesis class, collaborated with a partner to create 3 minute animated short film *Mommy's Me Time*.
- Pitched several ideas and implemented faculty critique to develop thumbnails into final storyboards.
- Demonstrated versatility by completing every stage of the pipeline, from storyboards to final rendered animation.

MAKE Workshop Participant, MAKE Animation Studios, Virtual, October 2021 - present

- Participated in a 6 month workshop with 7 teammates, created 15-second advertisement for final AirBnB client pitch.
- Illustrated concept art and storyboards, 3D modeled, rigged, and textured environments, characters, and props.
- Worked in the commercial animation pipeline to meet client demands under strict deadlines.

Storyboarding Teaching Assistant, Ringling PreCollege, Sarasota, FL, Summer 2021

- Taught 2 classes of high school students the fundamentals of visual storytelling, including; staging, strong draftsmanship, pitching techniques, character design, and story structure.
- Critiqued student work, provided relevant resources, and fielded student questions in a professional manner.
- Followed instructions of creative supervisors, ensuring student work matched professor's expectations.

Background Painter, Ringling Collaboratory, Sarasota, FL, September 2018 - December 2019

- Collaborated with 12 artists to produce visual novel, brainstormed and pitched game concepts as a team.
- Worked independently to create concept art while consistently communicating and maintaining style integrity.
- Used organizational methods and problem-solving skills to finish multiple parts of the pipeline simultaneously.

Leadership Experience

Resident Assistant, Ringling College, Sarasota, FL, August 2019 - May 2021

- Promoted from PreCollege RA, trained in conflict mediation and clear communication skills, worked closely with my RA partner to supervise and mentor 60 freshmen while communicating clear expectations.
- Worked as a team to organize activities and foster a vibrant on-campus community for residents.

PreCollege Resident Assistant, Ringling College, Sarasota, FL, June 2019 - July 2019

- Collaborated with a team of 20 RA's to create enriching programs for students while providing emotional support.
- Introduced students to campus and led social activities to create a strong sense of community.

Computer Animation Lab Monitor, Ringling College, Sarasota, FL, November 2021 - present

- Trained in assisting students with technical issues in 3D software and provided objective critique when requested.
- Ensured routine computer lab etiquette, reported hardware malfunctions, and maintained lab equipment.

Circulation Assistant, Goldstein Library, Sarasota, FL, August 2020 - present

- Demonstrated effective public service skills, proactively and professionally assisted patrons with requests.
- Routinely performed circulation duties as assigned while maintaining a courteous and professional attitude.

Awards

Emerging Service Leaders Scholarship - Ringling College of Art and Design - October 2019

Awarded \$5000 Scholarship for Outstanding Achievement, Ringling PreCollege - July 2017

Personal Skills

Proficient: Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Premiere Pro, Autodesk Maya, Arnold Renderer, Pixologic Zbrush, Substance Painter, Nuke, Procreate, Microsoft Word, Excel, Powerpoint; **Working knowledge:** Adobe Illustrator, Adobe InDesign

Hobbies: Watching movies, Reading books, Cooking, Whittling