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ANIMATOR • ILLUSTRATOR • GRAPHIC ARTIST • WEB DESIGNER • SCULPTOR

Objective

To work at a place seeking a talented, results-driven artist & designer with versatile, cross-platform experience in Graphics & Editing software, experience in different creative mediums as well as interaction with multiple people on a per- project basis...as well as being able to guide motivated graphic artists & animators to meet deadlines & utilize their own talents to finish projects successfully...whew.. run on sentence..

Education

6/2000 • School of Visual Arts • New York, NY
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Animation

Professional Experience

Ricky's NYC – 111 3rd Avenue New York NY 10003

Large Health & Beauty Aid chain in New York & Florida

Art Director/Operations Manager/Graphic Artist/Animator/Webmaster - 2002-2005

- Oversee & Design Magazine/Online/Billboard/Phone Kiosk Ads as needed.
- Color correction and photo retouching of /images for print ads and online product images.
- Operations manager for the www.rickys-nyc.com e-commerce store, maintaining it's graphics to it's payment gateway to it's sales distribution.
- Design & distribute a multitude of signs for store level, Keeping 20+ Ricky's NYC stores in graphics, signs, & banners that help promote & move product.
- Product branding such as recreating their logo and consistently maintaining their overall look.
- Providing graphics for window designers.
- Designing & distributing company wide coupons & sales.
- Designing & creating artwork for embroidery and t-shirt press. Extensive knowledge of embroidering software and machinery.
- Coordinating with all outsourced printing vendors' measurements & file outputs.(ie CMYK color matching, title safe, bleeds, etc.).
- Bookkeeping of any printing / website product invoices that come in (Includes being the portal when MULTIPLE stores need to split payment for single large invoices).

B3 Pictures – 285 5th Avenue New York NY 10001

Outsource animation & editing company

ART DIRECTOR 2000-2002

- Headed a team of 30 contracted flash animators & artists on a major outsourced project for SharedGreetings.com. (email greeting card company which rivaled AmericanGreetings.com) over an 18 month period.
- Designed, storyboarded & animated roughly 300 e-cards personally for Sharedgreetings.com over an 18 month period.
- Interviewed several applicants for outsource job placement.
- Conceptualized & animated several spots for Sesame Street International (Flash, 2D, Stop Motion).
- Animated & edited several reels to show B3 Pictures' outsource abilities.
- Designed several press packets & promotions (animated & print).
- Conceptualized several Animated show ideas working alongside several writers. Created characters, pitchbooks, animated spots as well as product ideas for these concepts.
- Conceptualized & animated several large scale backdrops for NYC clubs and 2 fashion shows.

MTV Networks – 1633 Broadway New York, NY 10019

Stop motion animator for 'Celebrity Deathmatch' series - 2000

- Animated several segments for the series.
- Met excruciating deadlines.
- Worked with dopesheets & Adobe Premiere hooked up to a video lunchbox to animate puppets.

Nickelodeon – 1515 Broadway New York NY 10036

Digital clean up artist for 'Spongebob Squarepants' interstitial – 2000

- Did color correction & preparation on over 400 frames of animation.
- Used alpha channels to clean up the frames in photoshop.
- Met 1 month deadline for all cleanup & preparation needed for television broadcast.

Freelance experience

“TUX” Independent film

Creature creator / Puppeteer– 2005

- Designed “Tuxton Squawkmore” Penguin character according to the writer’s concept.
- Designed & built a workable puppet for the film, complete with custom flapping wing & blinking eye mechanisms, which held up to the demands of a fast paced acting environment.
- Was voice & puppeteer for “TUX” on the film.

TCI Innovations Teacher Academy – (Columbia University)

Flash animator for online based Teacher course – 2003

- Designed & animated the two main characters for the course, which show up in the beginning, end , & intermissions throughout the course to explain the upcoming parts of the class.
- Worked closely with the programmer to integrate my animations into the course seamlessly.

Star Wars 2.5 independent film (OVIE entertainment)

Character creator & animator- 2002

- Designed various caricatures of famous people who “starred” in the film
- Animated several sequences in Flash

Hask Placenta Television Broadcast Commercial - (Globe Video) - 2001

- Storyboarded & animated a Spanish commercial for the product Hask Placenta.

MCI WorldCom Television Broadcast Commercial – (MCI WorldCom) – 1999

- Modeler, set designer & stop motion animator working with a team of about 10 others.

International Autism Study (Yale University) - 1998

- Worked with 4 other artists & animators creating several sequences for Yale to use on a study to see whether or not children had autism.

“GGGG” Independent film

Creature Creator / Puppeteer – 1999

- Conceptualized, designed & built a 15’ long movie monster using as little resource as possible
- Helped with set design & prop building

Children’s Book Illustrator (various clients, details upon request) 1997-present

- Designed layout & illustrated various children’s books including educational, language, & coloring books.

Web Design (various clients, details upon request) 1997- present

- Designed MANY brochure websites using HTML, Dreamweaver, Flash & limited Javascript.
- Worked with others to create more advanced websites including e-commerce & actionscripted sites.

Muralist (various clients, details upon request)

- Worked on a myriad of murals for retail locations, independent vendors & private homes.

Technical skills

- 2D animation, illustration, painting, sculpting, Digital Compositing, Movie Make-up, Web Design, Art Direction, Graphic art, Conceptual Design
- Extensive knowledge in Photoshop CS, Illustrator CS, Macromedia Flash MX, Dreamweaver MX, HTML coding, Microsoft office XP (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Outlook)
- Intermediate Knowledge in Quark Express, Premiere 6, After Effects, Fireworks MX, Corel Painter 7
- Moderate knowledge in PHP & database coding, Action scripting (Flash)
- Proficient with Windows and intermediate Mac OSX experience

Professional skills

- Operations management (3 years)
- Art Direction (5 Years)
- Team player
- Customer Relations
- Retail / Vendor Ordering
- Quick adaptation to new software