

ASHLEY CALMELL

DIGITAL MEDIA ARTIST

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Ashley Calmell is an emerging digital media artist pursuing her undergraduate degree in Fine Arts for Digital Media at San Jose State. Born in 2001, she discovered her passion for artistic expression at a young age through painting, drawing, and theatre. However, it was her deep-seated passion for the ever-evolving intersection of art and technology that truly set her on an exceptional creative path.

Ashley's artistic evolution can be traced through her high school years when she first delved into the captivating world of animation. Over time, her curiosity expanded to embrace the dynamic realm of 3D assets, mirroring the evolving landscape of the industry. Her early years at San Jose State were marked by a relentless exploration of creative possibilities, spanning the realms of coding, website design, motion graphics, and much more. Through this journey, she has honed her craft and established her own distinctive style and motivation, where art and technology are harmoniously intertwined.

Ashley's body of work is a captivating blend of pop culture and video game references, a testament to her keen cultural awareness and creative versatility. Whether she's crafting in Photoshop, delving into video editing, or creating mesmerizing motion graphics, her art is a vibrant reflection of the modern human experience in the age of the internet.

During her time as an undergraduate, she has been fortunate enough to study abroad numerous times, discovering artist practice in countries like Costa Rica, and studying the rich history of places like Paris and Italy. She has participated in group exhibits abroad and at San Jose State.

Ashley's unwavering quest is to bridge the gap between traditional and digital art, seeking a harmonious convergence of these two distinct yet complementary styles. Her journey as an emerging digital media artist is an unfolding narrative of passion, innovation, and a deep-rooted commitment to the ever-evolving art and technology landscape.