Megan Leigh Willy

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Education

- B.A. Imaging and Digital Media: Animation, Minor in Art History. University of Maryland, Baltimore County (2007). Magna Cum Laude, Graduating GPA: 3.77/4.0
- B.A. **Cultural Anthropology.** University of Maryland, Baltimore County (2007). Magna Cum Laude, Graduating GPA: 3.77/4.0

Digital Animation exchange student. Fachhochschule Schwäbisch Hall, Baden-Wütemburg Germany (2005).

Experience

• Professor of English, DuocUC in Concepción, Chile.	February 2011-present
• Guest animation lecturer at DuocUC in San Carlos, Santiago.	October 2011
• Conceptual Earth Science Animator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and the Imaging Research Center (UMBC).	January 2008-February 2011
• Public Stilt-Walking Performance Artist, Nana Project Studios.	September 2008-January 2011
• Visual Database Modeler for Naval Military Test-Flight Simulators, J.F. Taylor Inc.	May 2007-January 2008
• Internship developing "Call and Response", an interdisciplinary science, art, and technology project with Steve Bradley.	May 2007-January 2008
• Part-time motor vehicle operator at UMBC.	February 2004-October 2007
• Internship with Skip Jack Studios, photography and video studio.	May-October 2004
 Volunteer in the UMBC Conversation Partner Program, dedicated to helping foreign students improve their conversational English abilities 	2003-2007

Honors, Achievements, and Publications

NASA Goddard's Scientific Visualization Studio	
• Imaging Research Center at UMBC post-graduate fellowship	2008-2011
• Invitation screening of "Phallic Final" and "Telephone" in Alexandria Film Festival	2009
• "Best of Show" in Rosebud Film Festival for "Phallic Final"	2009
• Imaging Research Center undergraduate fellowship	January 2006-December 2007
• "Shout!" live animation performance with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra	November 2006

• Uninterrupted publication of numerous conceptual science animations with

Academic Scholarship:

- UMBC Scholastic Achievement Scholar: 2003-2007
- Dean's List: Spring 2004, Fall 2004, Fall 2006, Spring 2007
- President's Award: Spring 2007
- Semester Academic Honors: Spring 2004, Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2007

2008-2011

Research Experience

• Artistic collaboration with NASA Goddard Space Flight Center with experimental spherical filmmaking

October-December 2007

• Independent research with Dr. Bob Rubinstein (UMBC) concerning culture and architecture

January-May 2007

• Independent research with Professor Steve Bradley (UMBC) concerning experimental use of audio

January-May 2007

 Artistic collaboration with editorial cartoonist, Kevin Kallaugher to create political animation January-May 2007

• Artistic collaboration with Baltimore Speaks Out! After school youth program to create animation concerning life in Baltimore city

September-December 2006

 Independent animation studies with Professor Kim Collmer and Professor Guido Kühn (Fachoschule Schwäbisch Hall) concerning the preservation of German architecture September-December 2005

Professional Development

 Attended Ottowa International Animation Festival and Television Animation Conference October 2010

• Continued taking classes at UMBC after graduation

2008-2010

• Attended ACM Siggraph digital and emerging technologies conference, 3 years

August 2006, 2008, 2009

Technical and Personal Skills

- Fluent in both Windows and Macintosh operating systems
- Fluent in Autodesk's Maya 3D animation software
- Fluent in Adobe imaging software: Photoshop and AfterEffects
- Soundtrack Pro and Cubase knowledge
- Excellent written, oral and interpersonal skills
- Effective creative collaborator and experienced intercultural communicator
- Posses strong work ethic and is extremely self-motivated
- Professional Stilt-walker
- Aspiring graduate student

References available upon request.