

ANIMATION - RESEARCH - INTERACTION

maryyann.com 404-663-8146 landlord@usc.edu

EDUCATION PROFICIENCIES

University of Southern California

2016 - present

Zbrush

Hololens Oculus Rift

MFA - John C. Hench Division of Animation & Digital Arts

Photoshop

Maya

HTC Vive

Carnegie Mellon University

2012 - 2016

AfterEffects Illustrator C# Python

BFA - Electronic & Time-based Media / Minor - Animation & Special Effects

Unity Html CSS

EXPERIENCE

Hanson Robotics - Animator / Technical Artist

2017 - present

Creating facial/gestural animations and rigs for Sophia, Hanson Robotic's fully interactive human robot driven by AI and chatscript. Collaborating with engineers to streamline Web UI and animation pipeline. Assisting with live demos at conferences including CES.

USC Mobile Environmental Media Lab - Animator / Researcher

2016 - present

Creating models, animation, and visual direction for various VR and AR projects (e.g. experimenting with interactions in AR between digital characters and people). Supervised by Professor Scott Fisher. Working closely with computer scientists and Interactive Media students from USC.

Disney Research - Digital Artist

2015 - 2016

Created animations, 3D models, and motion graphics for various research projects. Contributed to interactive projects presented at SIGGRAPH 2015 and GDC 2016. Coauthor of refereed paper "Designing Animated Characters for Children of Different Ages" presented at Interaction Design and Children 2016 conference.

CMU Articulab - Digital Artist / HCI Researcher

summer 2015

Translated, animated, and designed Chinese version of CMU's HCI virtual peer learning project, Alex, in collaboration with Professor Justine Cassell. Showcased project at World Economic Forum in Dalian, China.

PROJECTS

MAAD (ADAM)- Software Developer

fall 2017 - present

Mixed Reality experience focusing on blending the physical and virtual environment. Programming and designing project interactions using Unity and Vuforia. Assisting on creating various technical apects of development pipeline involving Maya, Unity, and Hololens.

Yokai - Technical Artist Lead / Production & Interaction Designer

2016 - 2017

Interactive Mixed Reality experience that explores the relationship between players, digital characters, and their physical environment. Designed, modeled, rigged, and animated all visual assets in Maya.

Steelcase Virtual Design Workspace - Animator / 3D Modeler

2016 - 2017

VR design space aimed at exploring the future of collaborative design and production process. Creating 2D and 3D assets for various prototypes where users interact with physical furniture.

Memory Slugs - Animator / 3D Artist

2015 - 2016

Explored multiplayer VR as platform to facilitate social interaction by encouraging multiple participants to verbally share their experiences. Modeled, rigged, and animated all 3D assets in Maya.