

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Maya | After Effects | Photoshop | Illustrator | InDesign | Windows | MacOS | iOS

EDUCATION

Alternative Certification for Teachers Program — ACT Dallas, Spring 2023 (currently enrolled)

Certificate of Animation — Animation Mentor, Spring 2011

28 credits in Visual Communications — Austin Community College, Fall 2003-Fall 2004

15 credits in Electronic Design and Multimedia — CUNY City College, Fall 2002

Associate of Applied Arts in Computer Animation — The Art Institute of Dallas, March, 1998

EXPERIENCE

High School Animation Teacher, Dallas Independent School District — Dallas, Texas (2022-Present)

- Develop and implement standards-based lessons for diverse groups of learners.
- Leverage a variety of media and methods to motivate students and support differences in student learning styles.
- Prepare students for careers in the animation field through Adobe Professional certifications.
- Establish efficient classroom management procedures and clear behavior expectations.
- Teach the full animation pathway of Principles of Arts/AV, Animation I, Animation II, and Animation Practicum for 9th - 12th grade students integrating technology into daily lessons.
- Build relationships with over 100 students and ensure all students feel attended to with personalized feedback, class discussions, and encouragement.

Animator, Batwin & Robin — New York, New York (2008-2013)

- Created motion graphics and animations for museum exhibits/installations, events, and theater.
- Facilitated and maintained network pipeline for multimachine rendering in MacOS environment.
- Modeled 3D assets with necessary texture maps using Maya and Cinema 4D.
- Created animated logos and titles for presentations, installations, and interactive kiosks.
- Composited shots and color corrected images using After Effects and Photoshop.
- Rigged 2D and 3D assets for animation in After Effects, Maya, and Cinema 4D.
- Researched and attended opportunities to stay abreast of industry technology and trends.

Animator, Pigeon Impossible (short film) — Austin, Texas (2007-2008)

- Animated characters for shot sequences using XSI.

Production Artist, Stellar Communications — Austin, Texas (2003-2007)

- Provided all web-based video solutions such as streaming content, optimization, and format issues.
- Edited and tested XHTML/CSS web sites to create online content and forms using current web standards.
- Performed spot and full color layout design for newsletters, brochures, and advertisements for clients such as Texas State University and Texas Municipal Retirement System.
- Facilitated computer/network maintenance and data archiving.

Pre-press Specialist, Impressions Printing & Graphics — Austin, Texas (2003-2007) (1996-1999)

- Translated design files into print-ready formats and layouts for output on a computer-to-plate system.
- Ensured trapping, color separation, imposition, and screens on submitted files met print shop specifications.

Animator, Thirty Frames — Parsippany, New Jersey (2001-2002)

- Used Maya and 3DS Max to create 3D models for use in broadcast graphics, DVDs, and web sites. Clients included Univision and Telemundo as well as architectural firms.
- Created motion graphics for broadcast and streaming video using After Effects.
- Converted media and images to appropriate formats for print and video.

Junior Animator, David Gregg Graphics — New York, New York (2000-2001)

- Produced 3D models using Maya for CBS: 48 Hours as well as law firms and production companies.
- Created animated logos, titles, and schematics using After Effects for legal presentations.
- Digitized and edited footage, created texture maps, composited shots and color corrected images.