Lyuying Guo

Technical Artist & Rigger

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Skills: Rigging, Modeling, Animation, Texturing, Shaders, Game Scripting, Tool Scripting, Front-End Web Dev
- Software: Maya, Blender, Unity, Unreal Engine, ZBrush, Marmoset Toolbag, Photoshop, Illustrator
- **Development Tools**: Python, C#, HLSL, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Perforce, Git, Google Colab

RELEVANT PROJECTS

Character Rigs with Maya

Sep 2024 - Nov 2024

Rigger

- Created rigs from scratch for skeleton-based robot, constraint-based robot, and IK-FK hybrid snake
- Created rig for biped character using SCAD's in-house **modular rigging tool**, hand-painted skin weights, and rigged eyes and hair from scratch
- Troubleshot and **fixed bugs** for rigging tool's malfunctioning UI script in **Python** and restored function
- Tested rigs extensively with **keyframe animation**

Biped Character Modeling, Texturing & Shader Development

Jul 2024 - Aug 2024

Modeler, Texturer & Technical Artist

- Recreated 2D anime character in 3D with poly-modeling, sculpting, hand-painted textures in Blender, and normal maps baked in Marmoset Toolbag
- Developed a complex shader with **node-based shader graph** automating character's eyes to follow camera with parallax effect

Flarpy Blorb (2D video game)

Dec 2023 - Feb 2024

Programmer & Artist

- Recreated Flappy Bird in Unity with C# scripts and hand-drawn assets
- Created procedurally-generated background elements with Unity Particle System

Skylost (3D video game)

Aug 2021 – *May* 2022

Art Director

- Led 10 artists on team of 30 to develop **open-world game** where players adventure among floating islands
- Established concept art, storyboards, UI design, and draw-overs to set direction for team
- Game is published on Steam, is a USC Games Expo 2022 selection, and featured in IGN live coverage

Portfolio Website Front-End Developer & Visual Designer

Mar 2024 – Jul 2024

- Created website from scratch with HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Bulma CSS Framework, hosted on GitHub Pages
- Designed interactive visual elements for friendly user experience, including a day/night theme switch

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Baobab Studios | Redwood City, CA (remote)

Aug 2021 – Dec 2021

Marketing Art Intern

• Created marketing art featuring characters from films Crow: The Legend (2017), Namoo (2021), Baba Yaga (2022)

Freelance Illustrator | Los Angeles, CA

Dec 2022 - Mar 2024

• Collaborated with clients from film, music, and tech industries, delivering commissioned artworks such as animation background art, website illustrations, album cover art, and merchandise graphic design

EDUCATION

Savannah College of Art and Design

Savannah, GA

M.F.A. in Animation

B.A. in Art

Sep 2024 – Present

- Relevant Coursework: Rigging, Cloth & Hair Simulation, 3D Modeling & Texturing, 3D Character Animation
- Extracurricular: Rigging Union, development of HERMES (SCAD's in-house Python-based rigging tool for Maya)

University of Southern California | Roski School of Art and Design

Los Angeles, CA

Jan 2019 - Dec 2022

- GPA: 3.93 (Graduated Summa Cum Laude)
 - Relevant Coursework: Advanced Game Project, Advanced Drawing & Painting, Traditional Animation