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## CAREER GOALS

Graduate student looking to join a team of creative individuals to learn and grow professionally and spread the love of arts, nature and knowledge to the world.

## PROGRAMS & PROFICIENCIES

2D • Storyboard Pro • ToonBoom Harmony • TVPaint • Adobe Creative Suite • Procreate, etc  
3D • Autodesk Maya • Zbrush • Houdini • Marvelous Designer • Foundry Nuke • Blender

## RECENT WORK EXPERIENCE

**OCTOBER 2023 - May 2024**

**INDIE FREELANCE ANIMATOR, 'An Artist Atonia' Short Film – REMOTE**

Pitch and Revise storyboards focused on cleanup of all scenes animation punch-up character acting and effects; Match rough and final animation to match style, intently collaborate with director for a creative 2D digitally animated thesis short film.

**FEBRUARY 2022- DECEMBER 2022**

**ANIMATOR, KNIGHTMARE GAMES – REMOTE**

Create stylized character animations to match fantastical VR gameplay and immersive story.

**JULY 2018 - PRESENT**

**BARISTA, STARBUCKS – DENVER , NORTH HOLLYWOOD , CULVER CITY**

Connect with guests, strengthen communication skills and physical work output, motivate collaboration in a creative team, upkeep a fast-paced safe environment, delegate food-handling and cleaning tasks, pridefully produce quality beverages, handle cash and digital transactions.

## EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND MEDIA**

**1021 LARIMER ST, DENVER CO**

**UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER – BFA 3D DIGITAL ANIMATION**

**AUGUST 2017 – MAY 2021 - 3.70 GPA**

- Student artist and story facilitator on senior capstone short film.
- Proactively pitching ideas to strengthen plot, combat issues, and block out pipeline.
- Versatile in character animation, storyboarding, rigging, VFX, character modeling, lighting.

## SKILLS & PROFICIENCIES

Created award-winning artwork, local art galleries pieces, prints and logos for businesses, opportunities for children's book illustrating. Received thousands of responses on artwork via social media art platforms. Indulges in instrumental music playing, traditional painting and hard surface sculpting, painting, sewing, hair styling, outdoor exercise, and culinary arts.

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