

Profile

Portfolio: https://theartfulolive.crd.co/

Employment History

Director & Production Manager at Sound Explorations, New Bedford

December 2023 — Present

Wrote script, storyboarded, directed, and animated 5 min multimedia video to educate the public about Buoy-less Gear in fishing industry.

Advised producer and composer on creative process

Organized and ran meetings, responsible for keeping story goal consistent in music and visuals

Story Artist at Pixar, Emeryville, CA

June 2022 — August 2023

Story Team on Inside Out 2 and three upcoming projects

Comprehend script pages, plan cinematic shot flow, and implement director's vision into storyboards

Active in brainstorming and pitching sessions, receive and implement feedback constructively from director, supervisor, and story team

Character and background design, edited mock trailers

Co-ran/founded short film club, member of Women in Animation

Guest Speaker at X in a Box

December 2022 — December 2022

Guest Speaker for Storyboard Series, specializing in Story Structure, explaining three act structure for short form and long form animation.

Critiqued and reviewed participant work, livestream talk on Youtube

Children's Book Writer/Illustrator

August 2021 — August 2023

Co-writer and Illustrator, teaching children scientific concepts through musical language and storytelling.

"Right Whale, Wrong Letter" with Sound Explorations, teaches whale conservation. (2023)

"A Concert at the Zoo" for the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra, teaches kids rhythm, timing, and word intonation. (2022)

Pixar Story Resident at Pixar, Emeryville, CA

June 2021 — June 2022

Training program leading to full time Story Artist position

Details

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Skills

Storyboarding

Production Management

Directing

Adobe Photoshop

Cinematography

Concept Art

Character Design

Editing/Animatics

Adobe Premiere Pro

TV Paint

Adobe Animate

Autodesk Maya

Adobe After Effects

Z Brush

Nuke

Substance Painter

Marvelous

Orchestral Pianist

Musical Directing

Google Suite

Microsoft Office Suite

First Aid & CPR - Professional

Rescuer

Open Water SCUBA Certified

Lifeguard RedCross Certified

Computer Animator at Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

August 2018 — May 2021

Created production quality 3D animation under strict deadlines, using skilled knowledge in all areas of the 3D pipeline from ideation and storyboards to rendering the final frames and post-production.

Story Intern at Blue Sky Studios, Greenwich, CT

June 2019 — August 2019

Worked on two short films in production in addition to internship assignments

Resident Assistant at Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

August 2018 — May 2021

Cultivated strong communities in residencies of 60 students per year

Developed and led engaging programs, connected students to campus activities and resources, manned front desk, led tours

Worked closely with administration, mental health counselors, organizations, and RA teammates

Music Director at Lesley University, Cambridge, MA

October 2016 — March 2017

Music Director and pianist for Lesley University's production of "25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee"

Directed actors and orchestra in singing, timing, and creative decisions

Conducted and played piano for all rehearsals and final performances

International Student Affairs Worker at Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

August 2017 — May 2018

Assisted International Student Advisor in aiding Ringling College international students with transitioning to the U.S. as well as all paperwork, including school, job, and government docs

Organized international student celebration days, including cultural celebrations, flag ceremonies, group gatherings, and more

Education

BA in Computer Animation, Minor in Creative Writing, Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL

2017 - 2021

Created a short film titled "Lobstah Love" for senior thesis.

Animation and Motion Media (transferred out), Lesley University, Cambridge, MA

2015 — 2017

Visual Design, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School, New Bedford, MA

March 2011 — 2015

Hobbies

Hiking, running, volleyball, piano, ukulele, trumpet, hip hop & tap, scuba diving, improv, drawing, yoga, creating short films, cooking