

DAXTON DIPIAZZA

2D ARTIST & ANIMATOR

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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Animation • Minor in Sequential Art
Savannah College of Art and Design • 2024

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Intern • Covalent

Pittsburgh, PA • June 2024 - Present

- Editing short-form video content for social media and online learning
- Creating motion graphics and learning new After Effects workflows, shadowing senior animator
- Storyboarded three 15-second commercials on a tight deadline, oversaw by director

Concept Artist (Freelance) • JAM Roll Studios

Pittsburgh, PA • June 2024

- Designed environments and props for a stop-motion animated campaign for Marvel

2D Clean-Up Animator (Freelance) • Anachronaut Productions

Remote • May 2024 - July 2024

- Cleaning up character animation for 2D short film "Submersed"

Concept Artist (Freelance) • JAM Roll Studios

Pittsburgh, PA • June 2023 - July 2023

- Designed environments and props for the stop-motion animated "Pumpkin" campaign for Southern Tier Brewing Company

PROJECTS

Director • Bad Dog (Short Film)

May 2023 - June 2024

- Leading a diverse team of 50+ artists (concept artists, animators, sound designers, musicians, etc.) through the production of a 3-minute 2D animated short film
- Making creative and executive decisions while supervising and contributing to all aspects of production, maintaining the vision, and shaping the team's work into a cohesive film
- Providing daily visual feedback, guidance, and direction to the team in the form of draw-overs, written notes, and weekly meetings and presentations

Character Design Lead • Daughter of the Sea (Short Film)

February 2024 - May 2024

- Promoted to lead position to assist the team in better emulating the desired style, creating style guides and offering critique and draw-overs
- Visualizing initial character concepts and creating model, expression, and pose sheets for a hybrid animated short film, reporting to lead character artist and directors

CERTIFICATIONS

Adobe Certified Professional • Visual Design Using Adobe Photoshop

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SOFTWARE

Adobe Suite (Photoshop, After Effects, Premiere, Illustrator); Toon Boom Harmony; Storyboard Pro