Justin Haywood

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SUMMARY

Enthusiastic and versatile Motion Designer and Animator with a passion for bringing creative visions to life. I have a solid foundation in animation, graphic design, and video editing, I am skilled at transforming concepts into engaging visual narratives. I have demonstrated skills in industry-standard software, including Adobe Creative Suite and Blender, with a keen eye for detail and a commitment to delivering high-quality work.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE MOTION DESIGNER AND VIDEO EDITOR

August 2017 - Present

- Coordinate character design, storyboards, animation, and art for online clients.
- Ensure all assets meet high artistic standards, maintaining the integrity and artistic vision of each project.
- Collaborate with production teams to understand project needs, review shooting scripts, and create shot decision lists for continuity.

IT TEACHING ASSISTANT/GRAPHIC DESIGNER | CULTURAL ARTS ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

September 2020 - August 2022

- Designed the school's yearbook using original artwork, bitmojis, and other design elements.
- Managed the school's social media presence and revamped/maintained the school's website.
- Maintained in-house computer systems and created an Excel logbook for Chromebook rentals.
- Provided student training in animation and Wacom tablet usage.

PHOTOGRAPHER | NEON ARTS

June 2021 - September 2021

- Participated in the Beautify East New York program, capturing the community through photography.
- Captured the beauty of Brooklyn's East New York neighborhood to enhance representation of POC through artful imagery.

INTERN | THE CONNECTICUT FILM FESTIVAL FILM FEST 52

May 2019 - March 2020

- Assisted in the planning and operations of the film festival.
- Greeted visitors and artists to create a welcoming environment.
- Supported ad hoc operational and film equipment requests.

TEACHER'S ASSISTANT | MASS ART

January 2019 - May 2019

- Presented course content to a class of 20 students and provided individual support.
- Evaluated and provided feedback on student assignments.
- Supported class management through attendance, material distribution, and group activity facilitation.

SKILLS AND AWARDS

ADVANCED SKILLS IN...

Adobe: Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Animate, Premiere, After Effects, Blender

PROFICIENT SKILLS IN...

Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Procreate, Toon Boom Harmony, Dragonframe, Maya

AWARD:

Featured Animator at BAM Animation Block Party: Experimental Films, Graphic Design, and Music Video Category

EDUCATION

MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE OF ARTS AND DESIGN (MASSART)

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Animation | GPA: 3.2

THE BOYD INITIATIVE | SUMMER 2022

Program dedicated to helping young professionals discover careers in advertising and media.

THE ONE SCHOOL PROGRAM | SPRING 2023

Program dedicated to helping young professionals build a portfolio for entering the world of copywriting and art direction.