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EXPERIENCE

Lead Animator / Rigger / Generalist (Jun 2013 – Present)

Balance Studios – Green Bay, WI

- Live action/CG commercials, games, and augmented reality.
- Contribute to all facets of animation pipeline as needed.

Freelance Animator (Dec 2012 – Feb 2013)

Animatic Media - Fort Lauderdale, FL

- Staging and animation for animatics.

Freelance Animator / Generalist (Mar 2011 – Nov 2012)

Calabash Animation - Chicago, IL

- Animation for 15 to 30 second TV spots.
- Rigging, lighting, rendering, texturing, effects, and hair simulation.

Freelance Animator / Rigger (Sep 2011 – Feb 2013)

True Light Media - Orlando, FL

- Rigging and animation for display on stadium JumboTrons.

Animator / Rigger / Effects (Jun 2010 – Sep 2011)

Cru - Orlando, FL

- Hyper realistic animation for webisodes.
- Setup machine, manual rigging, Ncloth, and particle effects.

Animator / Rigger / Effects (Jul 2007 – Feb 2009)

3DH Entertainment - Celebration, FL

- Animating and occasionally directing projects.
 - Rigging, modeling, compositing, scripting, and editing.
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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Animation (Jan 2005 – May 2007)

Full Sail University - Winter Park, FL

- Graduated Valedictorian.
- Two Course Director's Awards for animation.

Partial Education in Software Engineering Degree (Aug 2003 – Apr 2004)

University of Michigan, Dearborn - Dearborn, MI

- Calculus, physics, and additional training in computer science (C++).

High School Diploma (Aug 1999 – Jun 2003)

Walled Lake Central High School - Commerce Township, MI

- Graduated Summa cum Laude.
 - Highest honors in Mathematics.
 - AP courses for physics, calculus, and computer science.
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SPECIALTIES

- Animation
- Rigging and scripting
- Modeling and texturing
- Compositing and editing
- Cloth, hair, particle simulation

SOFTWARE

- Maya
 - 3ds Max
 - Photoshop
 - After Effects
 - Final Cut Pro
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ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Strong communicator
- Organized and responsible
- Willfully exceeds expectations
- Highly adaptable and versatile