Rebecca Lau

Technical Artist

EXPERIENCE

Frame Machine — Unreal Integration & Technical Artist

Apr 2024 - Current

- Developed **Python** tools for animators and riggers, streamlined rig organization and reduced production time.
- Collaborated with Epic Games on Fortnite marketing assets, refined designs in Photoshop and integrated them into Unreal Engine 5, ensuring proper visualization within shop tiles.
- Efficiently adapted to proprietary tools and workflows, ensuring the timely delivery of polished, high-quality assets within tight seasonal releases.

Turn 10 Studios (Xbox Game Studios) — Associate Technical Artist Apprentice

Jul 2023 — Dec 2023

- Designed a prototype environment for the <u>Forza</u> series, featuring interactive 3D navigation and optimized car showcase assets.
- Rigged car assets for animation sequences used in photo mode, enhancing presentation and usability.
- Contributed to an NDA incubation project by creating VFX assets, including simulations, rigging, modeling, implementing game audio, and collaborating with designers and artists using motion capture data.

343 Industries (Xbox Game Studios) — Character Technical Artist Apprentice

Jun 2022 — Sep 2022

- Contributed to <u>Halo Infinite</u> by creating Level of Details for in-game assets and integrated optimized character assets to enhance performance used in cinematics.
- Quickly adapted to Halo's proprietary tools and workflows, delivered high-quality assets within tight deadlines requested by team lead.
- Created fluid, cloth and rigid body simulations for Halo's Research & Development using Houdini.
- Utilized the Vertex Animation Texture technique in Houdini, and imported into Unreal Engine 5 for performance optimization.

PROJECTS

The Dead Sea (Short Film) — Co-Director, Producer, Lead Technical & Rigging Artist Oct 2021 - May 2023

- Directed a team of 40+ members, managed task delegation and ensured timely project completion.
- Demonstrated problem-solving skills in addressing technical challenges across the production pipeline.
- Rigged biped and creature characters, R&D Metahuman integration process for Maya and UE5, and wrote Python tools to streamline rigging processes.
- Created high-fidelity models, textures, and CFX assets including fluid, smoke, rigid body, and cloth simulations using Houdini and Maya for seamless production-quality visuals.

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EDUCATION

Savannah College of Art & Design (SCAD)

BFA Technical Animation Character Technical Direction & Visual Effects Minor

SKILLS

Procedural workflows, fluid, smoke, cloth, hair and rigid body simulations, character, creature, and hard surface rigging, environment modeling, Python, UE5 Blueprint, texturing, retopology, shader development, lighting, LOD development

SOFTWARES

Maya, Houdini, Unreal Engine 5, MotionBuilder, Substance Painter & Designer, ZBrush, Marvelous Designer, Marmoset Toolbag, Perforce, Premiere Pro, Lightroom, Photoshop, After Effects, Procreate

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

Bloody Hats Festival (2023) - Winner and Official Selection

Manchester International Film Festival (2023) - Official Selection

APEX Film Awards (2023) -Official Selection

New York Animation Film Awards (2023) - Best Character Rigging Finalist

Independent Horror Awards (2023) - Best Animated Short & Best Monster Winner and Official Selection

Independent Horror Awards (2023) - Best Sound & Music Official Nominee

Animation Dingle Festival (2024) - Official Selection