

SARA WADE

MOTION DESIGNER + PROGRAMMER + EDUCATOR

I design & code to create animated & interactive experiences

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

EDUCATION

Savannah College of Art and Design
MFA Interactive Design & Game Development
4.0 GPA | Anticipated Grad: 2016 | Savannah, GA

LearnSquared
UI & Data Design for Film with Ash Thorpe
Motion Design with Jorge R. Canedo

Media Bistro Online Learning
Digital Marketing Bootcamp Certification

Animation Mentor
Diploma, Advanced Animal and Creature Animation
Diploma, Advanced Character Animation
Berkeley, California

Jason Ryan Animation
Fundamentals + Series 1 + Series 2 Master Classes
Robb Pratt Story Board Master Classes
Los Angeles, California

Colorado State University
MS Computer Information Systems
Fort Collins, Colorado

Carnegie Mellon University
Bachelor of Architecture (5 Year Professional)
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

AWARDS

SCAD Honors Scholarship
SCAD Educators Scholarship
SCAD eLearning Opportunity Scholarship
Colorado State University Graduate Assistantship
Colorado State University Full Tuition Award
Carnegie Mellon Commendation for Excellence in Design

Freelance | Mimic Octopus, LLC | Owner, Artist, Animator, Interactive & Game Developer | 2007 – present
Designing and creating motion graphics for advertising and business communication
Creating mobile and web delivered games and multimedia solutions
Creating and animating 2D & 3D characters, products, props and environments
Designing and illustrating concepts for advertising and marketing campaigns

Wirestone | 3d Artist and Senior Interactive Developer | 2002 – 2007
Animating, lighting, texturing, and rendering 3d products and characters
Creating web delivered games and multimedia solutions
Creating motion graphics for CD, DVD, and web
Clients include: Motorola, Apple, Jim Beam, Hewlett Packard, SunCom

Antigravity | Partner | 2004 – 2007
Creating 3D modeling, texturing, rendering, and animation
Creating web delivered presentations and multimedia solutions
Performing animation, projection, and video mixing for live entertainment
Clients include: Hewlett Packard, RNG Productions, Overland Storage

Studio Swade | Sole Proprietor | 2001 – 2004
3D modeling, rendering, animation; 2D/3D CAD services
Multimedia design and development, web design and development

Alumbre Technologies | Web Developer and Multimedia Specialist | 2000 – 2001
Creating streaming multimedia presentations (Flash, Director)
Designing and building multimedia training applications

SKILLS

Game Development: Unity, Unreal Engine, HTML5, JavaScript

Motion Graphics: 2D & 3D Animation, Dynamic Typography

Design: Illustration, 2D/3D Design, Interactive Design

Programming: C#, JavaScript, Processing, HTML5, CSS3, Python, MelScript, SQL, Java, C++, Actionscript

TOOLS

3D: Maya, C4D, MotionBuilder, Mudbox, ZBrush, 3DS Max

2D: Toon Boom Harmony + Storyboard Pro, Adobe Animate, Flipbook, Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator

Video: Adobe After Effects, Adobe Premiere

Audio: Adobe Audition

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Contributor | Animation + Motion Graphics
School of Motion | 2016 – present

Assistant Professor | Game Art & Design
Art Institute of Pittsburgh, Online Division | 2013 – present

Subject Matter Expert | Online Course Development
Art Institute of Pittsburgh, Online Division | 2013 – present
Programming for Artists, Game Animation, 3D Character Animation,
Life Drawing and Gesture, Hard Surface & Organic Modeling

Graduate Teaching Field Study | ITGM 220 Core Principles: Programming
Savannah College of Art & Design | 2015

Adjunct Faculty | Media Arts & Animation
Art Institute of Pittsburgh, Online Division | 2008 – 2013

Maya Springboard Instructor
Animation Mentor | 2009

Alumni Tutor | Body Mechanics Studio + Introduction to Acting Studio
Animation Mentor | 2006 - 2007

Graduate Teaching Assistant | Advanced Programming Techniques
Colorado State University College of Business | 2001 - 2002

Teaching Assistant | Statics & Mechanics of Materials + Materials & Assembly
Carnegie Mellon University School of Architecture | 1997 - 1998

WORKSHOPS & EXHIBITIONS

Instructor: Creative Code Workshop, 2017, Fort Collins, CO

Panelist: How to Succeed as a Female Developer, 2016

All Hands on Deck 2015, Launch, Fort Collins, CO

Shapes of Art 2012, Museum of Art, Fort Collins, CO

Masks at MOCA 2010, FC MOCA, Fort Collins, CO

Masks at MOCA 2008, FC MOCA, Fort Collins, CO

Divine Intervention | Juried Show | 2007, Denver, CO

Femme Fatale | Juried Show | 2007, Denver, CO

Human Organics | Juried Show | 2007, Fort Collins, CO

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References available upon request