SARAH PUTKA





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EDUCATION

Savannah College of Art and Design September 2021 – June 2024

• BFA Visual Effects Magna Cum Laude

SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY

- Maya | Arnold | XGen
- Houdini | Karma | Redshift
- Nuke
- Adobe Creative Suite | Substance Painter
- Microsoft Office Suite
- Google Suite

SKILLS

- 3D Lighting & Rendering
- 3D Texturing
- UV Workflow
- Compositing
- Look Development
- Problem solving
- Collaboration
- Organization
- Basic C++ and Java programming
- Digital & Film Photography

VOLUNTEER WORK

SCAD Savannah Film Festival

Savannah, GA | October 2023 & 2022 Student Volunteer

SIGGRAPH 2022

Vancouver, BC | August 2022 Student Volunteer

EXPERIENCE

Women in Animation Mentorship Circle | Remote

Mentee

October 2024 - Present

Currently mentoring under Marine Goalard in "Breaking in as a CG artist" circle

DAVID YURMAN | New York, NY

Motion Graphics Intern May 2023 - September 2023

- Collaborated with a small team to create 100+ still images & animations of jewelry pieces to be put on the company's e-commerce platform
- Contributed towards a standardized lighting setup to be used across the brand's CG projects
- Attended daily reviews and improved work according to feedback from supervisors

Virginia Tech Libraries Studio Network | Blacksburg, VA

3D Scanner January 2021 - May 2021

- Utilized Artec scanning equipment to digitalize physical items such as fossils and student work into 3D models in the process of photogrammetry
- Touched up models using proprietary software and exported them to clients

PROJECTS

"Snowbugs" | 3D Lighter | 3D animated film | Fall 2024

- Provided with animation and textures, lit shots according to color key and art direction
- Provided and received feedback on in-progress lighting

"Bitter" | VFX senior thesis film | Spring 2024

 Responsible for all aspects including character & environment design, 3D modeling, texturing, lighting, rendering, compositing, and sound design

"Rubber Band Man" | 3D Modeler | 3D/2D animated film | Fall 2023

Modeled and textured a 3D television to be featured alongside 2D assets

"Bushitoad" | Compositor | 3D/2D animation | Spring 2023

Composited shots in Nuke, consisting of layered 2D and 3D elements