



KACI SMITH

Motion Designer

I am the Motion Designer that everyone on my team relies on to do the last quality check before the project gets delivered. I am also a natural mentor and teacher, helping others grow in their skills in the field. When I get a break from the computer, I love to garden or do hands-on craft projects.

EXPERIENCE

SENIOR MOTION DESIGNER

Thesis | Aug 2022 - Present

- Mentor and inspire Junior Staff by working one-on-one on skills and providing links to new techniques and incredible work
- Tasked with the most difficult motion projects in the agency
- Step into leadership roles when team leads are on leave

TEACHING ASSISTANT

School of Motion | Jan 2021 - Present

- Guide students through design and animation courses by providing personalized critique and help them overcome hurdles
- Increase student engagement by generating relevant and helpful posts on School of Motion's social media website

FREELANCE MOTION GRAPHICS DESIGNER

Self | Jan 2014 - Present

- Using design principals and animation fundamentals I create a variety of projects for companies of all sizes
- I work closely with the studio or company to make sure they are happy with every project from concept to delivery
- Fulfill many varied duties, including project manager, tax aficionado, resource manager, sales lead, and design and animation principals

ROTSKOPE/PAINT ARTIST

Netflix | Feb 2021 - Jul 2021

- Worked as part of the Wendell and Wild paint and compositing team to refine all of the details of the movie before final delivery using Nuke and Silhouette

ROTSKOPE/PAINT ARTIST

Laika | Jan 2014 - Jun 2017

- Removed rigs and seams for Stop Motion Feature Films

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SKILLS

Motion Graphics
Editing
Compositing
Color Correction
Sound Design
Matte Painting
Digital Paint
After Effects
Photoshop
Illustrator
Premiere
Adobe Suite
Animation Principals
Design Fundamentals
Customer Relations
Time Management
Organization
Team Leadership
Time Sufficiency
Self Motivation
Problem Solving
Sales
Conceptualization
File Delivery
Critique
Motion Community Engagement

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS
The Art Institute
Visual Effects and Motion Graphics

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS
Lane Community College
Art Studies, General