



MICHAEL ANDERSON

Senior Rigging Artist

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SUMMARY

Accomplished Rigging Artist with a robust background in character rigging and animation systems, demonstrating exceptional proficiency in software tools and methodologies. Extensive experience collaborating within multidisciplinary teams to create dynamic, lifelike animations that drive storytelling and enhance user engagement. Proven track record of optimizing rigging workflows and implementing innovative techniques to streamline production processes.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Rigging Artist Innovative Animation Studios

Jan 2023 - Present

- Designed and implemented complex rigging systems for a variety of characters and creatures.
- Collaborated with animators and modelers to ensure seamless integration of assets.
- Utilized Maya and Blender for creating efficient rigging solutions.
- Conducted performance evaluations of rigs to optimize animation workflows.
- Mentored junior rigging artists, enhancing team capabilities and productivity.
- Participated in cross-departmental meetings to align rigging goals with overall project vision.

Rigging Artist Creative Media Solutions

Jan 2020 - Dec 2022

- Developed character rigs that supported a wide range of animations and movements.
 - Collaborated with technical directors to troubleshoot and resolve rigging issues.
 - Utilized advanced scripting techniques to automate repetitive rigging tasks.
 - Participated in regular reviews and feedback sessions to refine rigging quality.
 - Created documentation for rigging processes to facilitate knowledge sharing.
 - Contributed to the development of proprietary rigging tools enhancing studio capabilities.
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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Animation, University of Southern California

Sep 2019 - Oct 2020

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Technical Skills:** Maya, Blender, Python, Rigging, Animation, Problem-solving
- **Awards/Activities:** Awarded 'Best Rigging Solution' at the 2022 Animation Excellence Awards.
- **Awards/Activities:** Implemented a new rigging pipeline that increased production efficiency by 30%.
- **Awards/Activities:** Recognized for exceptional contributions to a AAA game title that achieved critical acclaim.
- **Languages:** English, Spanish, French