

# 3D Generalist

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# **Experience**

#### 3D Generalist - Contract - MATTEL INC.

Jan 2025 - Present

- Work with Maya, ZBrush, Mudbox, and Adobe Suite to convert CAD models of toy characters and props into production-ready assets.
- Resculpt, retopologize, and UV characters.
- Model various props and set pieces.
- Work with **UDIMs** to produce custom **textures** and **shaders** for characters.
- Rigging and weight painting characters and interactive props.
- Work from storyboards to set up and **layout** scenes for animation.
- Quickly adapt based on feedback from supervisor and team members.

#### Lead 3D Artist - Tech-Lit

March 2022 - Dec 2024

- Translated over 12 Characters and over 200 Environment and Props from 2D concept art to fully game-ready 3D models.
- Creating UVs and textures for all character and prop assets.
- **Communicating** and **coordinating** with the Art Director and team about the direction and requirements of the project, projecting deadlines, and problem-solving.
- Establishing and **maintaining documentation** related to style, workflow, and process to maintain a consistent look across all project assets.
- Developing various shaders and hand-painted textures within Unreal Engine, Substance
  Painter, and Substance Designer.
- **Researched** and **developed** new pipeline techniques to make use of Unreal Engine 5 Nanite geometry and Lumen Lighting Engine.

## 3D Generalist - Caterpillar

May 2021 - March 2022

- Produce **environment and prop assets** in a **photo-realistic style** for marketing renders.
- Create and apply realistic textures and shaders to models.
- Convert CAD files to rigged and textured models in Maya for use in animations and promotional renders.
- Used multi-pass rendering to create and composite 360 spin set animations in Adobe Premiere.
- Layout and apply materials to parts and machines for renders.
- Receive and execute changes needed based on client feedback.
- Used **Zoho project tracking** to keep workflow organized and meet project deadlines.

#### 2D/3D Generalist - UW-Stout Online

Sept 2020 - Dec 2020

- Worked with a mix of 2D and 3D animation styles to make an informational ad for the UW Stout Online department.
- Developed 3D assets for the department to use in future research and development of online VR learning environments.

## **Volunteer Work and Other Achievements**

# **Community Event Organizer**

Oct 2023 - Present

 Organize and host team-based, community events that require strong communication, creative problem-solving, and strict time management.

## **Women in Animation Group Mentorship**

**April 2025 - Present** 

 Participate in weekly meetings to discuss and learn ways to improve professionally in areas such as Leadership, Networking, Organization, and Collaborative Problem-Solving.

# Materials and Lighting Consultant (Unreal) - A.B.T. Studios April 2021 - Oct 2021

- Developed stylized toon shaders in Unreal for an animated short film project, Glow.
- Produced detailed, stylized, and hand-painted textures in Substance Painter.
- Created **static and dynamic lighting** for various environments and shots.
- Developed various Particle effects using Niagara.

## **Education**

## **University of Wisconsin - Stout**

B.F.A. in Entertainment Design – Animation, with a focus in 3D art and modeling.

## Software

| Maya | Blender | Zbrush | Substance Painter/Designer | Unreal Engine | Perforce | Adobe Suite | Microsoft Suite | Google Suite | Obsidian | Unity | Clip Studio Paint | Shot Grid |

### Skills

| 3D Modeling | 3D Animation | Texturing | UVing | Shaders | VFX | Rendering | Rigging | | Video Editing | Compositing | Communication | Problem Solving | Organization | | Multitasking | Creativity | 2D Concepting | Drawing |

## Links

3D Portfolio

**Example of work from Caterpillar** 

<u>LinkedIn</u>

2D Illustration