# **ANASTASIA RYKOVA**

### **VISUAL DEVELOPMENT ARTIST / CHARACTER DESIGNER**

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#### **EDUCATION**

# Ringling College of Art and Design 2019 - 2023

B.F.A.

Computer Animation & Business Minor GPA: 3.7/4.00

# **SKILLS**

Adobe Photoshop
Autodesk Maya
After Effects
Premiere Pro
Nuke
Procreate, Cintiq
Zbrush
Substance Painter
Traditional Sculpting
Traditional Painting
Arnold, Vray
Unreal Engine
Microsoft Suite
Gmail Suit

Have professional experience in both 2D and 3D

# **AWARDS**



### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **Gasket Studios**

#### **Visual Development Artist / Associate Art Director**

Sep 2023 - Present

- Painted and designed on-style illustrations, characters, color keys, sets, and props
- Developed designs from concept to final presentation for commercial and TV animation
- · Assisted at client meetings; reviewed notes and implemented feedback
- Built orthographics, crafted material references, mood boards, and drawovers for 3D artists

VisDev Intern June - Sep 2023

- Generated and built visuals and storyboards for the IP project "Laylabug"
- Designed and animated 2D stylized motion graphics for social media using After Effects
- Worked closely with the Creative Director and Producer

# Animated Short Film "Into the Void" for World Health Organization

# **Character Designer / Storyboard Artist**

June 2023 - Present

- Proposed design and story ideas to the director and crew to envision the look of the world
- Created character art, pose and expression sheets, scene illustrations, and explored FX fire
- Collaborated with the director, scriptwriter, and other artists on bringing the script to life

#### **Disney Live Entertainment Workshop**

# **Visual Development Artist / Illustrator**

Jan 2023

- Selected for the Disney Live Entertainment Workshop out of more than 100 students
- Collaborated with a team of students on a demo project, experiencing the Disney Live Entertainment pipeline

#### 3D Short Film "The Tale of Two Cruel Rulers"

#### **Director / Creator**

Feb 2022 - June 2023

- Designed and painted storytelling beats, color keys, environments, props, and characters
- Modeled, textured, animated, lit, and composited 3D scenes using Autodesk Maya, ZBrush, Substance Painter, and Nuke

### **Women in Animation Mentorship**

#### **Women in Animation Mentee**

Oct 2022 - March 2023

- Selected for the mentorship circle out of more than 1000 applicants
- Created matte paintings and set designs ranging from stylized to realistic for bi-weekly projects using Photoshop, Autodesk Maya, and Unreal Engine





Best of Ringling - The Tale of Two Cruel Rulers, 2023; 2021 CTN Foundation Full Scholarship Award, 2022 Women in Animation Mentorship Circle Scholarship, 2022 -2023 The Rookies - Finalist, Draft Selection, A-ranking, 2023

• Hold US work permit: STEM extension