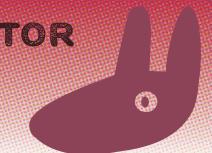
MELANIE THOMS | 2D ANIMATOR

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COLLABORATIVE EXPERIENCE

2D Animation | "Thank you, Have a nice Day"

Took on a leadership role and guided the team in collaboration. Animated Scenes in Toonboom Harmony and took notes to achieve a finished product. Provided background Art for use in the final film.

2D Animation | "Tavla"

Worked closely with the director and animation team to develop the film's visual style, timing, and character motion. Created hand-drawn animated sequences using ToonBoom harmony. Met tight deadlines and maintained high visual quality in a fast-paced production schedule. Supported compositing and post-production processes by preparing clean animation files and render-ready assets. Compositied lighting and Shadows for the film.

Lead Collaborator | Cicada Shell Art Collective

Co-led the creative direction and operations of a queer independent art collective focused on comics, illustration, and printmaking. Curated and contributed original comics, illustrations, and written content for collaborative zines and projects. Vended at conventions and markets to promote the collective and sell works. Managed internal workflows, facilitated group critiques, and supported artists in developing collaborative projects. Built relationships with local artists, bookstores, and art spaces.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Shift Lead and Social media manager | Cosmic corner (2022-present)

Opened and closed the shop independently. Provided knowledgeable, personalized customer service on spiritual tools. Trained and supervised new team members. Created and curated engaging content across platforms to promote products, workshops, and services. Grew social media following and increased online engagement through consistent posting, trend integration, and community interaction. Collaborated with shop owner on marketing strategy, product photography, and copywriting aligned with brand voice.

2D animator experienced in multitasking and collaborating in animation. Experienced in character animation, 2d rigging and puppetry, and compositing. enthusiastic about wearing many hats and learning new skills quickly.

EDUCATION

BFA - 2d Animation Savannah College of Art and Design 09/18 - 08/25

SOFTWARE

- Toonboom Harmony
- Clipstudio paint
- procreate
- Adobe Photoshop
- Adobe After Effects
- Adobe Animate
- Adobe Premiere
- Microsoft Suite

SKILLS

- 2D Creature and Character Animation
- Effects Animation
- 2d Puppet Rigging
- Compositing
- Visual Development
- Background Design
- Creative Thinking
- Storytelling
- Attention to Detail
- Collaboration
- Communication
- Adaptability