Dhruv Govil

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Software Engineer 3D Artist UI & UX Designer

Feature Film Realtime Graphics AR & VR Full Stack Web I'm a developer, artist and designer with extensive experience in both Film and Realtime computer graphics.

I've worked in a variety of roles being a 3D Artist and Software Engineer, with a heavy focus on UI and UX design.

I combine my range of skills to create compelling software and content for both consumers and content creators.

Skills

Languages

Python C++

Swift / Objective-C

Rust

C#

GLSL, MSL

Lua

Javascript

Frameworks & APIs

Qt , PySide , PyQt SwiftUI OpenGL , Metal RealityKit Pixar USD

Software

Maya

Houdini

Katana Nuke

Substance Designer & Painter

Reality Composer

Unity

Unreal Engine

Blender

Experience

Content Pipeline Architect, Augmented Reality, Apple

February 2020 - Present

- Co-Created App Clip Codes, a new visual marker launched with iOS 14.
 Responsible for creating generation algorithm, initial visual designs and demos for leadership.
- Responsible for architecting content creation pipelines to our realtime editor and engine. Included development of asset management and versioning tools, as well as procedural workflow builders.
- Shepherded and developed multiple USD initiatives, in conjunction with multiple teams at Apple. In charge of Apple's contributions to Maya USD.
- Provided technical consultancy to several projects across Apple, using multiple engines and technology stacks, including RealityKit and Unity.
- Worked as and with UI/UX designers to create intuitive artist and engineering workflows.
- Awarded design and rendering patents for innovations in AR / VR.

Lead Technical Artist, Augmented Reality, Apple

August 2018 - February 2020

- Responsible for creating UI, UX and Art Content for multiple projects. Includes creating interface design, interaction design, asset modelling, lighting, shading, rigging and animation.
- Created concept art, software prototypes, presentations and video productions for Apple leadership.
- Awarded Augmented Reality content, rendering and simulation patents.
- Developed Augmented Reality applications using RealityKit and Swift, as well as Unity and C#.
- · Developed several AR applications as both an artist and engineer.
- Provided training sessions to artists and engineers.

Crewed Shows

Smallfoot

Spider-Man: Homecoming

Suicide Squad

Alice: Through the Looking

Glass

Smurfs: The Lost Village Guardians of the Galaxy Hotel Transylvania 2

The Amazing Spider-Man 2

Blended

Cloudy with a Chance of

Meatballs 2

Percy Jackson and the Sea of Monsters

R.I.P.D

Seventh Son

Contributing Shows

Spider-Man: Into the SpiderVerse

The Emoji Movie

Storks

Hotel Transylvania 3

Love, Death and Robots: Lucky

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The Angry Birds Movie

The Interview

Notable

SIGGRAPH 2017 Presenter

Deep Compositing tools for Animation Collaboration

On Set Production

Assistant Camera Operator and Gaffer

Educational Content

Authored Python for Maya course on several platforms with 7000+ students.

Open Source Development

Developed several projects used by multiple studios globally.

Education

Vancouver Film School

Studied 2D and 3D Animation

Rigging Dojo

C++ for Maya

iAnimate

3D Animation

Experience

Pipeline and Layout Supervisor, Sony Pictures Imageworks

October 2016 - August 2018

- Developed and maintained critical Pipeline software for all active shows in production.
- Oversaw a team of Pipeline TD's and Layout Artists on Visual Effects and Animated Features
- Developed new Shot Review and Approval Pipeline with 100x improvement in performance using a new frontend and server architecture.
- Co-Developed a Virtual Production system with tracked virtual cameras, a motion capture stage and Virtual Reality asset/scene reviewing.
- Created a Proof of Concept port of our pipeline to use Pixar USD
- Developed a bespoke pipeline to Unity for an Augmented Reality Project

Pipeline and Layout, Varying Seniority, Sony Pictures Imageworks

January 2013 - October 2016

- Production software development and artist support on VFX and Animation shows.
- Handled camera, plate and scene layout on a mix of VFX and full CG Shots and sequences.
- Co-Developed new Shot Publishing and Validation toolset used by all productions
- Developed a Deep Compositing toolset for fast animation collaboration with multiple animators or split up scenes.
- Created a dynamic scene origin plugin for Maya and a full pipeline integration to handle large scale scenes.
- Wrote a procedural muscle simulation pipeline with Ziva to significantly reduce required Character FX resources.
- · Developed Motion capture ingestion pipeline.

Animation Support TD & Scene Layout, Rhythm & Hues

June 2012 - January 2013

- Responsible for layout and pre-lighting of VFX scenes.
- Assist animators with scenes, rigs and scripts.
- Develop tools for in house tool, Voodoo, with proprietary language, Parsley.
- Responsible for department in Vancouver, and training new hires.
- Develop artist color management pipeline.
- Developed Scene lighting management tools
- Created prototype Python bindings and an IDE for Parsley.
- Wrote tools to streamline ticket submission and management.