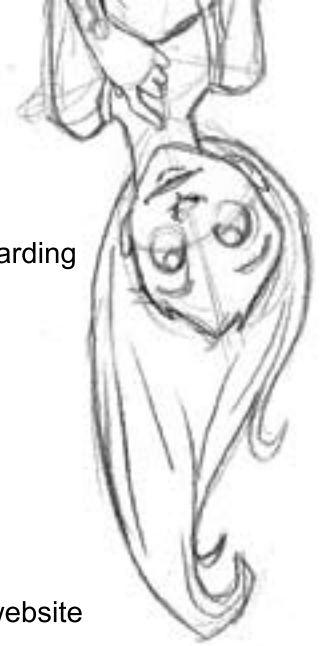


Laurissa Hughes

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OBJECTIVE

To work in creative development and pre-production for animation including storyboarding story, and character design.

EXPERIENCE

Freelance Artist | Golden, CO | Summer 2010
Design art according to customer specifications

Illustrator for a children's book | Westminster, CO | January 2010 - Present
Character design and story illustrations

Colorado Department of Education | Denver, CO | October 2009 | **Animator**
Animated header for the new Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) program website

Kerpoof/Disney Interactive | Boulder, CO | November 2008 - September 2009 | **Animator**
Created interactive animation and still imagery for Disney.com and Kerpoof.com

RMCAD Career Offices | Lakewood, CO | September - December 2008 | **Event Coordinator**
Used design and color theory skills to create posters and fliers advertising artists and speakers visiting the Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design (RMCAD) campus
Assisted in the arrangement of important events around the college campus, including internship fairs, speakers from the art industry, and others.

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Post Graduate Honors Portfolio | Awarded by RMCAD Spring of 2009 | Completed April 2010
Studied under a chosen mentor from the Animation department at Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design in Story. Created a short film through animatic stage

Best in Show - 2D Flash game | SIGGRAPH 2009 GameJam! Competition | August 2009
"Falling for Siggraph" Laurissa Hughes, Melissa Guldbrand, Chance Dodd
Concept, story, animation

EXHIBITIONS AND SHOWS

"Monsters & Robots" | RMCAD Alumni Gallery Lakewood, CO | February 4 - March 4, 2011
Solo exhibition of Story elements, backgrounds and character designs

"Stories" | Studio 12 Gallery Denver, CO | April 22 - June 10, 2011
Juried show exhibiting work that tell stories by various artists

PRODUCTION EXPERTISE

Creative Visualization	Illustration
Production Design	Layout
Animation Drawing and Motion	Story Construction and Development

Studio Collective, "Orphanage" | Lakewood, CO | September-December 2008
Co-Director/Pre-Production Artist/Character Animator

TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Proficient in:
Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Flash, Adobe Premiere, Adobe After Effects, Toon Boom Digital Pro, Animation in Autodesk Maya

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

24 Hour Comic Challenge | Participated and Published | 2008, 2009, 2010
ASIFA Colorado | Participated in the Denver Film Festival 6-Hour Animation Challenge | 2008
RMCAD Film Festival | Submitted 2D and 3D short films | 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010
ACM SIGGRAPH | Member | 2011

EDUCATION

Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design | B.F.A. 2D Animation | Graduated April 25, 2009