

MICHAEL CAFARELLI


VFX SUPERVISOR • 3D ANIMATION • MOTION GRAPHICS

I'm currently working as a Freelance Animator, with specialties in 3D Animation and Motion Graphics. I've worked professionally as an animator since 2013, with an additional 8 years of formal education and vocational experience in the field prior.

I'm passionate about solving complex problems and learning new skills, and I'm experienced with organizing projects and tracking progress. I have a general understanding of many disciplines including creative writing, filmmaking, programming, and computer hardware, which allows for better collaboration between technical and creative teams.

To see examples of my work, my animation demo reel can be found at the following link: <http://vimeo.com/mcafarelli/demoreel>


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EMPLOYMENT

Currently

FREELANCE ANIMATOR

Projects include several music videos (notably LiLa's "Shush" and "3Dots"), a Doritos spec commercial, "Discover Chile" short film, "The Disruption" short film, and more.

Jan - Dec
2020 - 2020

LOCAL PROJECTS

Senior Motion Designer and Lead Animator

Oversaw all post-produced animation, principally animated a majority of the exhibits, and helped develop an immersive and interactive experience for the FLDC.

Apr - May
2018 - 2019

IMAGINARY FORCES

Senior Animator

Clients included Microsoft, Bubly, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Facebook, and Clash Royale. Also was part of the team that created the HBO "Stories Like No Other" Promos.

Feb - Nov
2017 - 2017

R/GA

Senior Animator

Clients included Samsung, Verizon, Mercedes, Marvel, Converse, Johnson & Johnson, Walmart, and PWC. Was also part of the team that helped launch the Samsung Galaxy S8 and Note 8.

Sep - Dec
2013 - 2016

CBS SPORTS

Senior Graphic Artist

Shows included The NFL Today, Thursday Night Football, The PGA Championship, and The NCAA March Madness Tournament. Also worked on Super Bowl 50, The SEC on CBS, and The Masters.

EDUCATION

Sep - Dec
2005 - 2008

NEW YORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
BFA, Computer Graphics

AWARDS & NOMINATIONS

Sports Emmy
2016

OUTSTANDING TEAM TECHNICAL REMOTE (WON)

Sports Emmy
2016

OUTSTANDING LIVE GRAPHIC DESIGN (NOMINATED)

Sports Emmy
2014

OUTSTANDING POST-PRODUCED GRAPHIC DESIGN (NOMINATED)

SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

MOTION GRAPHICS

VFX Compositing, After Effects, AE Expressions, Template Creation

3D ANIMATION

Cinema4D, Octane Renderer

TRACKING

Mocha, PF Track

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Photoshop, Illustrator

EDITING & ENCODING

Premiere Pro, Media Encoder, FFmpeg

COLOR GRADING

DaVinci Resolve