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OBJECTIVE

To work as TD / R&D at a studio that provides a challenging and fulfilling environment and the possibility to extend and develop my technical and creative skills in CG industry.

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES & API

Mel (Very Familiar)

C++ (Familiar)

Qt (Familiar)

Python (Familar)

Maya API (Normal)

SOFTWARE & SKILLS

SOFTWARE (Main):

• Autodesk Maya (10 yrs+) • 3DS Max (4 yrs)

• Adobe Photoshop (13 yrs)

Adobe flash (4 yrs)

SPECIALIZE:

Programming | Animation | GUI & Graphic Design | 3D Modeling | 3D Rigging | Cartoon Drawing

SOFTWARE PROJECTS (Main Personal Projects)

MG-Picker Studio v1: (Language: MEL, C++, Qt, MayaAPI)

[2014.9 ~ Present] MG-Picker Studio is a very intuitive and animator friendly maya picker tool,

with a powerful feature that enables you to create your own customised picker

without any prior knowledge in coding.

Features Demo (Animator): https://youtu.be/QMyvoWdKqnl

Features Demo (Designer): https://youtu.be/OEawQVEViIE

Demo (Programmer): http://youtu.be/dZQQ90dgXjg

MGTools v0.5~3.0pro: Maya animators' utility belt. (Language: MEL, Python, C++, MayaAPI)

[2008.4 ~ Present] A versatile tool packages designed for Maya's animating process.

Tools has been adopted by Weta Digital and animators form Pixar, Dreamworks, BlueSky,

Sonylmageworks, WBA, Platige Image, etc.

Tools Demo: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Azultlay4Ag&feature=youtu.be&hd=1

Tools in action: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_f8HWoxoX0s&feature=youtu.be&hd=1

http://youtu.be/Tf9IKwJ7vm4?hd=1

Twin-IDE v0.5: A CG scripting IDE for Maya, 3dsMax, XSI, etc. (Language: C++, Qt)

[2011 ~ Present] Currently WIP, Maya version is almost done, I use it to develop MGTools at meantime.

Twin-Bonus 1.0: A free set of tools for Modeling, Texturing in Maya. (Language: C++, MayaAPI, MEL)

Twin-Sales 1.0: A sales management software developed for MGTools sales.

[Finished] (Language: C++, Qt, SQLite)

* Lots of other small scale tools & scripts not included.

3D Animation Experience (CGCG 2006~Present) (Software developer & Animation supervisor)

* Animation projects below are lised from the latest to the eariest

How To Train Your Dragon (TV)

Period:Jun 2015 ~Present

Client: Dreamworks Animation

My role: Production Technical For Modeling~Animation & Animation Supervisor & Animator

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (TMNT)

Period: Dec 2013, Mar 2014 ~June 2015

Client: Nickloden

My role: Production Technical For Modeling~Animation & Animation Supervisor & Animator

Sample Episodes: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L2IO_-UJTUc

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UkxPqPkpWz4

Description: For one month + ,I led the team to do the project test for Nickloden Animation (Make 1/3 of episode),

The project then started formally at March 2014.

LEGO-Batman Period: Jan 2014 ~Mar 2014

Client: Warner Bros. Animation

My role: Production Technical For Modeling~Animation & Animation Supervisor & Animator

Description: The trailer is not done by our team, I led the first episode and this project been passed to other lead.

Kurokan *Period: Aug 2013 ~ Nov 2013*

Client: Next Media Animation

My role: Production Technical For Modeling~Animation & Animation Supervisor & Production Manager

Website: http://www.nextmediaanimation.com/tomo_detail.php?a=12

Trailer: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTpKRtD2dh0#t=63

Description: 3D rendering in 2D Manga style.

The project is actually still running, I hand it over to two team leaders I picked from animation team. My first time acted as a production manager, I was responsible for overall quality control, from Layout through to final rendering and compositing.

Star War Detour (TIM)

Period: Somepoint at 2012 ~ Jun 2013

Client: Lucas film Animation, LAL

My role: Production Technical For Modeling~Animation & Animation Supervisor & Animator

Trailer: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oMVrMP8us6Q

Description: It is stressful but very interesting project.

But durning the project, Lucas film was acquired by Disney, Disney throught the project's budget was too high, so they stopped it and postponed the project for a undefined amount of time.

^{*} From Jun 2013~ July 2013, I took a private affair leave for two monthes.

MumuHug

Period: Sorry but not remember, probably lasted for one year.

Client: Sofa Animation studio

My role: Production Technical For Modeling~Animation & Animation Supervisor & Animator

Website: http://www.mumuhug.com/

Sample Episode: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7BEB6nj9Y0M

Description: It aims to low age kids, but requires a pretty high quality in animaiton.

Also I did the animation test to get the project at early time.

Fanboy & ChumChum

Period:Helped just for a month

Client: Nickloden

My role: 3D Animator

Website: http://www.nick.com/shows/fanboy-chum-chum/

Sample Episode: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pxSP0Vgz9a4

Description: I served as a pure 3D animator, helped in this project for one month-.

This is a very cartoony project, characters need to be deformed for a very board range.

Angelina Ballerina

Period: Not remember, but relatively long.

Client: SD entertainment, Canada

My role: Production Technical For Modeling~Animation & Animation Supervisor & Animator

Website: http://www.angelinaballerina.com/usa/

Sample Episode: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ILNJ1n M4e0

Description: It lasted for quite long, I also did a DVD movie for this project. Everything in the project

was asked to be deformed elegantly.

Bob the Builder

Period: Just helped for weeks

Client: HIT Animation
My role: 3D Animator

Website: http://www.bobthebuilder.com/usa/

Sample Episode: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RpyEyU0I4eM

Description: A stop-motion style series. I helped in this project for some weeks as 3D animator.

Future is Wild Period: lasted for probably one year

Client: Discory Kids

My role: 3D Animator & Animation team leader

Website: Not available anymore

Sample Episode: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V1aer0QoytE

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tDTxmuimhPM

Description: There are all kinds of monster & Creatures in this series. I was elected as animation

team leader and supervisor at the late stage of this project.

Pet Alian Period:probably for one year +

Client: Mike Young Production

My role: 3D Animator

Sample Episode: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hm5ZK2YMRUU

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8FdQtEyexk8

Description: A pretty cartoony project.

Noddy Period: for just 1 month

Client: N/A

My role: 3D Animator

Website: http://www.noddy.com/index_us.php

Sample Episode: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TeTNzKiosFc

Description: This was actually my frist 3D project in 2006. It is more of a practice.

Personal 3d Animation works

ZZ-theLittleMouse Done in late 2008

My role: I made the shot all by myself. URL: http://mgland.com/blog/?p=78

Killer

My role: Charactor design, Modeling, Texturing, Rigging.

Related URL: http://mgland.com/blog/?p=83

Test Render: http://mgland.com/other/gallery/Home/killFacialRenderTest01.jpg

Description: This was supposed to become a 3D shot, I finished modeling, but the Texturing and

ended up still WIP for many reason. Probably will continue someday.

Flash Animation Experience (NetDragon Websoft Inc,China, 2004~2006)

Title: Flash Programmer & 2D Animator

shortFilm: "Q legend of Gulong Heros"

Volumn 1: http://mgland.com/blog/?p=34 Volumn 2: http://mgland.com/blog/?p=35 Volumn 3: http://mgland.com/blog/?p=36

Description: A shot all by myself. From character design to final publish.

shortFilm: "Cold leaf"

Description: A shot all by myself. From character design to final publish.

shortFilm: "Kid and feather"

Description: A shot made mainly by myself, except 2~3 shots' bg image.

Graphics Designer (A AD Designing Studio in Wuhan, China, 2003)

Title: Graphic Designer

Description: I didn't go to university for almost a whole semester (But I still passed the exam at the end of semester BTW), I took a full-time job in a ad design studio in wuhan, designed press meterials, cards, ADs, gifts for China Unicom, etc.

LANGUAGES

Mandarin(my mother tongue), English (Fluent)

EDUCATION

•	SHIDA CG training center, WuHan, China Adobe certified graphic designer	06/2002 ~ 09/2002
•	SHIDA CG training center, WuHan, China Architectural Visualisation using 3Ds MAX	10 /2003 ~ 12/2003
•	Zhongnan University of Economics and Law, China Bachelor of Literature in Journalism	09 /2000 ~ 09/2004

AWARDS & HONORS

- Adobe Certified Graphic Designer
- The 3rd prize in ADIDAS comic competition 2002.
- Short Film "Q Legend of Gulong Heros" won Golden F-Artists , Annual Internet Animation Award, 2005: Annual Internet Animator

 Annual Internet Animator

^{*} At the end of the second year in this studio, Things changed a lot and I started to design UIs for online games.