Jalen Macon

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2D Animator and Storyboard Artist with experience assisting with and fulfilling animated short films and projects. I have a proven track record of using my excellent personal, communication and organization skills to assist, lead and complete projects for advertisements, comedy specials, dark dramas, action choreography, and animated assets. I am a team player with excellent communication skills, high quality of work, driven and highly self-motivated.

Experience

JULY 2024 - JUNE 2025

Director/Animator/Layout designer | Bye-stander – graduate film | RMIT University

Directed my own original dramatic film based off a story around moral conflict between 3 guys for RMIT Major Project.

- Storyboarded the film using Storyboard Pro.
- Designed the layout for all the backgrounds.
- Animated the roughs for all the shots.
- Cleaned, in-betweened, and coloured shots for the film.
- Recruited and directed volunteers for cleaning, in-betweening, and colouring specific shots of the film.
- Designed various elements such as characters designs, prop designs and background painting.

JULY 2024 - NOV 2024

Animator/Storyboard Artist/Compositor/Sound Designer | The Lemonade Stand - comedic short film

Comedic short animated film focused on incorporating a range of different mixed media. This includes 2D characters in a 3D environment, with elements of stop-motion and live action added.

- Collaborated on storyboards and animatic using Storyboard Pro.
- Pitched the concept and ideation to mentors and general audience.
- Animated character action shots using Toon Boom Harmony.
- Voice acted as Jeremy for dialogue, along with minor sound effects for other characters.
- Composited characters, backgrounds, and other assets together to complete final shots.
- Edited the shots together in Premiere Pro and designed the sound using Adobe Audition to create the finished film.

JULY 2023 - OCT 2023

2D Animator, Storyboard Artist, and Sound Designer | Studio Showoff Ident | RMIT University

Group assignment for Studio Showoff to create a 15 second ident using at least 2 different mediums for their studio.

- Assisted in in-betweens and background paintings.
- Arranged regular meetings outside of scheduled class times to work on the project together.

- Animated character action shots for both human and sea creatures interacting with the background using Toon Boom Harmony.
- Designed all the sound and final edits in Premiere Pro.
- Storyboarded shots for the ident using Storyboard Pro.
- Designed the surfer character design.

JUNE 2021 – JANUARY 2022

Freelance Illustrator | Doncaster, VIC

Created character illustrations and designs for clients for special occasions, including cards, posters, and merchandise.

- Communicated with clients and developed concepts to deliver the ideal illustration.
- Delivered regular updates throughout the process and requested regular feedback to ensure the illustration met their desired needs.

Education

JULY 2022 - OCT 2025

Bachelor of Design (Animation and Interactive Media) | RMIT University | Melbourne, VIC 3000

FEB 2016 - OCT 2018

Koonung Secondary College | Mont Albert North, VIC 3129

Skills

Toon Boom Harmony • Toon Boom Storyboard Pro • Storyboarding • Proficient with Adobe Photoshop, Animate, Premiere Pro, and After Effects • Team player • Excellent time management skills • High level attention to detail and communication • Project Management

Activities

Reading • Weightlifting • Drawing • TV and movies • Cooking • Games