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- I have over 25 year of experience in animation, with both computer and traditional. I have been an Animator, Supervisor, Overseas Supervisor, Episodic/Assistant Director, Director and now a Creative Writer.
- Beyond my production experience, I have found a passion for writing and creating shows. I love taking the seed of an idea, then developing it into compelling characters and storylines.

Demo Reel & Website: https://www.davesimmonsportfolio.com

#### STRENGTHS & SKILLS

Problem solving Ensure client views are met Maya

Team player Mentor and team leadership Storyboard Pro

Calm under pressure Script breakdown Content creation

Animation Production Pre-vis CG Pipeline

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

## **COMPANY3 ANIMATION**

Jan. 2020 - Present

2 Fraser Ave. Toronto ON

**Layout and Previs Supervisor**: What If...? - Marvel Entertainment

Road of Vengeance - TV Series

Duties included: Client Facing, Oversee the 2D/Previs/3D workflow on a hybrid series. Sequence breakdown of Animatics. Make calls on Set Design and Layout Production.

#### **NELVANA** ( Corus Entertainment )

Oct. 2018 - Dec. 2019

25 Dockside Drive, Toronto ON

**Animation:** Binky the Space Cat

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#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### SKYWRITER ENTERTAINMENT

September 2018 - Present

**Creative Writer:** Creative writing for a new series/game IP, with a focus on character and story development, synopsis, and episode ideas.

**DHX MEDIA** 

October 2016 - Oct. 2017

5657 Spring Garden Rd, Halifax, NS

**Episodic Director:** Bob the Builder - Mattel

Wishenpoof - Amazon

Duties included: Script Breakdown, Leica, Storyboard launches, Design Input, Oversee

Modeling, Layout, and Animation.

**SPIN MASTER** 

August 2016 - Sept. 2016

121 Bloor St. E, Toronto, ON

**Freelance Animation** 

TRIXTER CANADA

**October 2015 – April 2016** 

128A Sterling Ave Ste 201, Toronto, ON

**Director:** Tale of the Sea (Animated Feature Pre-production, co-pro with China)

Duties included: Overseeing all aspects of the pre-production including Story Development (script and leica), Voice Direction, Design, Character and Set Design, Modeling, Rigging and Animation.

**NELVANA (Corus Entertainment)** 

**July 2000 – September 2015** 

25 Dockside Drive, Toronto, ON

Assistant Director: Franklin and Friends - Polar Explorer and Deep Sea Voyage (CG Specials)

Duties included: Assist the Director with Leica, revisions and calling retakes.

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#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Overseas Animation Supervisor: Franklin CG - Indonesia (IFW Batam)

Duties included: Supervise a crew of 21, assign animation, call retakes, test character rigs, assess pipeline needs. Identify problems and offer solutions. Leadership and mentoring.

**Assistant Director and Animation Supervisor:** Backyardigans Season 2 & 3

AD Duties included: Leica and colour with editors, lead storyboard meeting, online with clients, and call retakes.

Supervisor Duties included: Supervise a crew of 8, assign animation, call retakes.

Animation Director: Lucky Duck Disney Special

Duties included: Supervise a crew of 9, assign animation, test character rigs

**Animation Supervisor:** Cozy Island Promo

Duties included: Supervise a crew of 6, assign animation, call retakes and test character rigs

Lead Animator: Oh No! It's an Alien Invasion

Duties included: Assist the animation crew, cover Supervising when needed.

**Also:** including Animating and Lead on various Nelvana TV Series, Specials, Games, and Promos during 15 years.

<u>UBISOFT</u> Sept. 1997 – June 1998

Montreal, Quebec Canada

**Animator:** Playmobil and Rayman games

Oct. 1992 – March 1993

Ottawa, Ontario Canada

**LACEWOOD STUDIOS** 

**Assistant Animator:** For Better or For Worse (Animated TV Specials)

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## **EDUCATION**

• Computer Animation

1996 – 1997

Sheridan College Oakville, ON

Computer Programs: SoftImage 3D, Unix O/S

• Traditional / Classical Animation

1988 – 1991

Sheridan College Oakville, ON Traditional Cel Animation, Layout & Design Storyboarding, Life Drawing

## **REFERENCES**

Lynda Craigmyle: Line Producer at Mainframe Studios

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Larry Jacobs: Series Director at Redknot

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**Don Kim:** Series Director at Pipeline Studios

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