

melanie blanco

3D character animator

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work experience

Icon Creative Studio

2023-2025
Vancouver, Canada

Senior Character Animator - Multiple TV shows and TV films

- Animated from layout to polish for the following:
 - Disney's "Minnie's Pet Hotel" TV show
 - Disney's 2025 "Prep & Landing" short film
 - "Motel Transylvania" TV show first test (replicating the unique style of the franchise)
- Animated and explored animation styles on a TEST for an unannounced show
- Acted as anim dev, tested rigs, created cycles and tests for multiple projects

L'atelier Animation

2022-2023
Montreal, Canada

3D Character Animator

Feature film - "10 Lives"

- Created quality performances from blocking to polish
- Planned each shot with reference considering story and character context
- Kept close communication with Lead, Supervisor and Director

Side achievement Created an advanced spreadsheet to help teammates manage their allotted time each week, and to speed and ease the process of logging hours.

Framestore

2022
Montreal, Canada
Remote

3D Character Animator - TV series - "His Dark Materials"

- Produced high-quality realistic animal animation

Icon Creative Studio

2021
Vancouver, Canada

Lead Animator

TV series - "Alice's Wonderland Bakery"

- Animated some of the most challenging shots of the episodes (layout + polish)
- Managed rigging requests based on the team and episode's needs
- Coordinated with all departments and production for the episode's assets
- Supported juniors and new hires with the show, workflow and pipeline
- Acted as Anim Dev, and supplied with cycles, poses, and pickers.

Bardel Entertainment

2021
Vancouver, Canada

Lead Animator

TV series - "Gen:LOCK" Season 2

- Managed one episode in the season, distributed and reviewed each shot.
- Checked animation rigs, props and sets with production coordinators
- Prepped master shots, character posing, expressions and cycles for the episode
- Mentored entry-level artists

2019 - 2020
Kelowna, Canada

3D Character Animator

"44 Cats", "The Diary of the Wimpy Kid", "Ice Age: Buck Wild"

- Animated different styles for TV series and TV features.
- Worked layout, blocking and polish

Hype

2018 - 2019
Brazil
Remote

3D Character Animator

TV series - "Tainá e os guardiões da Amazônia"

education

2017

Advanced animation courses
Animation Collaborative

December 2016

MA. 3D Character Animation

Academy Art University,
San Francisco, CA

December 2013

BA. Animation and Motion Media

Emerson College, Boston, MA

Google sheet courses with Ben Collins
(Google Developer Expert)

The Collins School of Data

skills

Technical skills

Maya	Procreate
Shotgrid	Photoshop
Google sheets	Illustrator
MS Office	Acrobat
	Mac, Windows, Linux

Soft skills

Leadership and communication
Organization
Adaptability
Problem-solving and trouble-shooting

Language

Spanish	████████████████████
English	████████████████████
French	████████████████████
Portuguese	██████████████████

interests

Organization;
spreadsheets and planner geek

Sustainability;
leading an eco friendly life

Languages;
Digital Illustration;
Tennis and sports