

# Nathan deGruyter

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## Objective:

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To find employment in order to gain valuable work experience, while effectively contributing my experience and expertise as part of a team.

## Skills:

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### Technical

- In-depth understanding of modeling, lighting, rigging, and animation within the Maya software package.
- Fluent in MEL Script
- Fluent in the use of Adobe: Photoshop, Premiere and After Effects.
- Very familiar with Pixologic Z-Brush.

### Personal

- Strong problem solving and troubleshooting skills.
- Strong time management skills.
- Proficient in the use of Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.
- Extremely flexible and open to schedule changes.
- Goal oriented and deadline conscious.
- Effective teamwork skills.
- Able to adapt quickly to a new work environment.
- Friendly and approachable.
- Able to deal with criticism in a tactful and diplomatic manner.

## Education:

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Art Institute of Vancouver - Burnaby  
Diploma in 3D Modeling for Animation and Games

Fall 2007 - Fall 2009

WR Meyers High School  
High School Diploma

Fall 2001 - Summer 2005

## Work Experience:

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### Freelance Technical Artist

September 2009 - Present

- Produced character rigs to the desired technical specifications of clients.
- Ensured character rigs were animation ready and technically sound.
- Maintained contact with clients in order to troubleshoot any problems and ensure work was completed to a satisfactory level without any complications.
- Budgeted time in order to maintain a productive and dependable rate of work.

### Technical Artist

"Paper Planes" Production Team

March 2009 - Present

- Worked with fellow students to produce a fully rendered animated short.
- Interacted with animators and produced working character rigs according to their needs.
- Worked with character modelers to create animation-ready character models.
- Worked with animators to troubleshoot any problems with character rigs.
- Proactively assessed technical problems to avoid production delays.

### Packaging Specialist

Frito Lay

July 2006 - September 2007

- Packaged and prepared manufactured goods for shipping.
- Monitored quality of packaging to ensure shipped goods met an acceptable standard of quality.
- Assessed and repaired any problems with work related machinery.
- Effectively trained new employees in machinery use, workflow, and workplace safety.
- Managed time effectively in order to keep up with a rapid production rate.

