# **JOY ZOU**

# STORY ARTIST / 2D ANIMATION GENERALIST / PRODUCTION

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# **SKILLS**

- Adobe Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Animate, After Effects, Premiere, Audition)
- Toonboom (Harmony, Storyboard Pro)
- Flow Production Tracking (ShotGrid)
- TVPaint Animation Pro

# **AWARDS**

- Dean's Award Bachelor of Design (Animation and Interactive Media), RMIT University | 2023
- Vice-Chancellor's List for Academic Excellence, RMIT University | 2023
- **Best Animation,** Monash Youth Film Festival | 2018, 2019

# **EDUCATION**

- Animation & VFX Production
   Management Course, Mayhem
   Production Management | Aug
   Oct 2024
- Bachelor of Design
   (Animation and Interactive
   Media), RMIT University | 2020
   - 2023

# **VOLUNTEER**

- Assistant Festival Organiser, Melbourne International Animation Festival | June 2024
   current
- Film Festival Judge, 2022
   2023 Monash Youth Film Festival

# **EXPERIENCE**

#### WeAnimate Club - Women in Animation Student Collective

Founder and President | Nov 2022 - current

- Founded the first international Women in Animation (WIA) Student Collective, connecting Melbourne to WIA student collectives in the USA
- Garnered 270+ club members to date and over 400 followers on Instagram
- Organised consistent online weekly events since April 2023, and hosted five successful in-person events in 2023 with an average turnout of 20+

### **Innit Productions**

Freelance Concept Artist | Aug 2024

• Created style frames for an unannounced animated education video

#### **Melbourne International Animation Festival**

Film Festival Judge | Apr - May 2024

 I was one of three judges for the 2024 Melbourne International Animation Festival

# RMIT University and Menzies - 'What is MESCH'

Story Artist, 2D Animator, Background Designer | Jul 2023 - Apr 2024

- One of three RMIT alumni hired to create an informative animated video for Menzies about their maternal healthcare program
- Worked closely with production manager to design backgrounds in a watercolour style in Adobe Photoshop

### POZENG PTY. LTD.

Logo Designer I Jan - Mar 2024

- Worked closely with technical delivery director to create a design brief and final logo design for engineering advisory company POZENG
- Crafted presentations after each milestone to show client the design process, ensuring clear communication and understanding on both sides

#### City of Monash - Youth Services

Freelance Designer | Jan 2024

 Delivered final artwork under a tight 10 day deadline, communicating frequently with project officer

#### Felled - Student Graduate Film

Director & Animator | 2023

- Finalist for 'Best Overall Film' Australia Youth Film Festival
- Spanish Premiere SUNCINE International Environmental Film Festival,
   Spain
- Official Selection Animation Bucharest International Film Festival

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# **LANGUAGES**

English - Native Chinese (Mandarin) - Fluent

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Analytical Figure Drawing with Ron Lemen - CG Master Academy

Apr - June 2024

Gobelins Online Summer School: From Storyboard to Animatic

June - Jul 2021

Andy Cung - Umbrella Method for Storyboarding Workshop 2021

# **EXPERIENCE**

#### Felled - Student Graduate Film

Director & Animator | 2023

- Official Selection Animalcoi International Animation Festival of Alcoy,
   Spain
- Official Selection Ekotopfilm Envirofilm, Slovakia
- Official Selection Inheritance Film Festival, Ireland
- · Official Selection Living Skies Student Film Festival, Canada
- Official Selection Wildlife Vaasa International Nature Film Festival, Finland

# **TANKARD - Beerbarians (Official Music Video)**

Co-Director, Storyboard Lead, Lead Animator | Jul 2022 - Feb 2023

- · Created as part of RMIT's third-year collaborative studio course
- Best Music Video Fort Smith International Film Festival, Arkansas
- Best Advertising Short FIA Festival Internacional De Animacion, Uruguay
- Student Recognition Award Anima Cinefest, New York)
- 25+ official selections in international film festivals

### **Graveyard Shift (Animated Short) - RMIT TV**

Storyboard Revisionist | Aug 2022

- Program: Storyboard Pro
- Graveyard Shift was the winner of the 2022 'Pitch Pleez' pitch competition hosted by the Melbourne Queer Film Festival

#### Private Design / Media Tutor

Freelance | Mar 2020 - Dec 2022

- Taught high school students VCE Media and Visual Communication Design (VCD)
- Over 200 hours of tutoring experience, with positive reviews on tutoring website

# **City of Monash - Youth Services**

Freelance Graphic Designer | Jan - June 2022

 Designed t-shirts for the Youth Outreach Team part of Monash Youth Services and the Monash Council.