DIANA LEE | Lighting Artist

Lighting and compositing artist with a great eye for physically based lighting and strong understanding of art direction. Delivering both quality and speed.

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Nickelodeon Animation Studios | Lighting and Compositing Artist

Present

- Works closely with the Compositing Supervisor to achieve the look and lighting for assigned sets
- Create master lighting rigs, compositing templates, and documentation
- Attend scheduled lighting launches and reviews

Giantstep Studio | Lead Lighting Artist

2022

- Created a character lighting template for artists to match
- Led a group of 4 artists to light and render 21 shots in 3 weeks
- Documented required AOVs and render passes for compositing team, and how to create them
- Troubleshoot technical and artistic issues as they arise
- Communicate with supervisor and comp lead to make sure deadlines are met

ICON Creative Studio | *Junior Lighting and Compositing Artist*

2021

- Implemented lighting, rendering, and compositing on assigned sequences to achieve the visual target
- Managed large shot loads, presented revisions in dailies, and met deadlines in a timely manner
- Integrated 3D and 2D elements in compositing to create the final look
- Collaborated with other departments and supervisors to troubleshoot technical or artistic issues
- Created necessary shaders and AOVs for compositing as required

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Academy of Animated Art | Host and Community Moderator

Present

- Lead bi-weekly lighting critiques for the community, accelerating growth
- Help students troubleshoot artistic and technical problems

EDUCATION

Academy of Animated Art

2020-2021

Academy of Art University | San Francisco, CA | MA of Animation and VFX Columbia University | New York, NY | BA of Computer Science

Grad: May 2018

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ACHIEVEMENTS

Finalist | Rookie of the Year - 3D Animation | Rookie Awards 2021

Winner | Feature Lighting | Academy of Art University Spring Show 2021

SKILLS

Skills: Lighting, Compositing, Shading, Texturing, Python Scripting, Linux

Software: Maya, Nuke, Arnold, Renderman, Substance Painter, Mudbox, Premiere Pro