

Computer Animation

Bringing unforgettable characters to life.





Ringling College Computer Animation students do it all. In our world-renowned animation program, you will learn to create characters and tell their stories, as well as design, paint, model, texture, animate, light, composite, and edit original films. As a Computer Animation student, you will combine essential technical skills with conceptually original ideas that affect an audience emotionally, visually, and intellectually.

Faculty

Our faculty consists of animation industry veterans with expertise spanning feature films, visual effects, television, commercials, and video game production. Their experience includes work with renowned studios such as Pixar, Disney, DreamWorks, Blue Sky Studios, Sony Pictures Animation, Netflix, ILM, Paramount Animation, Reel FX, Psyop, Cartoon Network, Nickelodeon, Electronic Arts, Rockstar Games, and Warner Bros. Games.

Industry Critiques

To further inform the work of our fourth-year students, we bring in renowned visiting artists to participate in milestone critiques. Coming from the top studios in the industry, these artists offer a relevant, real-world perspective to bring student thinking out of the classroom and into the professional arena.



Express Photo by Kiki Jiang '24 and Dashun Zhou '24

Facilities and Studio Space

The Ringling College Computer Animation Department boasts eight state-of-the-art computer labs in addition to three open labs. We also have a render farm with thousands of cores and are capable of rendering multiple feature films right here on campus.

Awards and Accolades

Ringling's Computer Animation program is consistently ranked as the #1 animation program nationally and in the world, by *The Rookies* and *Animation Magazine*. This year, *The Hollywood Reporter* named Ringling College one of the Top Animation Schools.

The program boasts an impressive 17 Student Academy Awards, 3 Student Emmys, 2 Best Student Film awards at SIGGRAPH, and Ringling alumni have worked on every Oscar-winning Best Animated Feature since 2003.







Opposite from top left: allisk8r by Anna Prado '17; Bent Out of Shape by Chloe Merwin '23; Mind Games by Jiaqi Emily Yan '18; In a Heartbeat by Beth David and Esteban Bravo; Brain Divided by Joon Soo Song, Joon Shik Song, and Josiah Haworth '13; Bonbon Voyage by Emma Ream '23; The Box Assassin by Jeremy Schaefer '21; My Cat Lucy by Kate Vaillant '22; Jinxy Jenkins and Lucky Lou Michael Bidinger '14 and Michelle Kwon '14; Invisible by Michael Trikosko and Andrew Wilson '16; Final Deathtination by Marika Tamura '21; Butterfly Business by Amanda Mai '24

Employers

Aardman Animation **Animal Logic** Apple Bento Box Entertainment **Blizzard Entertainment** Blur Studio Cartoon Network **Disney Animation Studios DreamWorks Animation** Electronic Arts **Epic Games** General Motors Glitch Productions Hasbro Hornet Illumination Laika Lucasfilm Marvel Studios **Netflix Animation** Nickelodeon Paramount Animation **Pixar Animation Studios** Psyop Reel FX **Riot Games Rockstar Games** Skydance Animation Sony Imageworks Sony Pictures Animation The Mill The Third Floor Warner Bros. Animation Warner Bros. Games Weta Digital

Internships

Blizzard Entertainment
Disney Animation Studios
DreamWorks Animation
Electronic Arts
General Motors
Hasbro
Hornet
Laika
Nickelodeon
Pixar Animation Studios
Psyop
Reel FX
Riot Games
Sony Imageworks
The Third Floor

Warner Bros. Animation

Alumni Highlights

Joshua Beveridge '04

Animation Director. KPop Demon Hunters

Jeff Fowler '02

Director, Executive Producer. Sonic the Hedgehog films

Karl Hadrika '13

Emmy Winning Director, Storyboard Artist, Animaniacs

Alan Hawkins '04

Director

Sony Pictures Animation

Stanley Moore '10

Creator, Writer, Studio Owner, Netflix's In Your Dreams

Lindsey Olivares '09

Production Designer, Netflix's Mitchells vs. The Machines

Patrick Osborne '03

Oscar-Winning Director, Disney's Feast, Netflix's Love Death & Robots, Netflix's Magic the Gathering

Liron Topaz '09

Director. DreamWorks

Michael Yates '14

Creator, Writer, Director, Pixar's Win or Lose

Echo Wu '16

Creator, Writer, Director, Netflix's Jentry Chau vs. The Underworld

Ringling College alumni have also worked on the following recent blockbuster animated feature films:

KPop Demon Hunters

15 Alumni including Animation Director

The Bad Guys 2

12 Alumni

Inside Out 2

24 Alumni

Puss in Boots: The Last Wish

15 Alumni

Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse

12 Alumni including Head of Character Animation

The Wild Robot

15 Alumni

Moana 2

12 Alumni

Nimona

18 Alumni

Trolls Band Together

18 Alumni

Elemental

14 Alumni including Art Director and Crowd Supervisor

Encanto

18 Alumni

Mitchells vs. The Machines

11 Alumni including Production Designer and Head of Character Animation

Zootopia

20 Alumni

Incredibles 2

20 Alumni

Spies in Disguise

27 Alumni

The Bad Guys

14 Alumni

Luca

17 Alumni

The Sea Beast

10 Alumni including Head of Character Animation

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem

9 Alumni

Leo

9 Alumni

including Animation Director

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