# **JOSEPH P GROSSMANN**

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Seasoned 3D-Generalist with more than 18 years of experience in Maya, VRay, Adobe Suite and other software creating imagery for visual effects, commercials, animation, and video games.

## **APPLICABLE SKILLS**

Lighting 3D Modeling 3D Layout Rendering Comp

Shader Creation Texture Painting Camera Tracking Match-moving Customer Support

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

# Crafty Apes LLC, New York, NY

3D-Generalist, Aug 2021 - Mar 2024 & May 2024

As a 3D-Generalist, worked on shots for theatrical and televised releases. Star Trek: Discovery, Crowded Room, Your Place or Mine, Hello Tomorrow, and Y2K to name a few.

#### Specific Highlights

- Lighting, tracking, layout, modeling, texturing, and foliage tasks while working on multiple shows at the same time.
- Mentored and guided new artists to reach client and company standards.
- Maintained full communication with team members while in a remote environment.

# Alkemy-X, New York, NY

3D-Generalist, Feb - Apr, June - Oct 2017 & Feb 2020 - Apr 2021

Ongoing freelance work on released and unreleased pilots, *Blindspot* and *Marvelous Mrs. Maisel* (television series), *All Saints* (independent film) and National Geographic Documentaries.

## Specific Highlights

- Lighting and shading using Mental Ray or VRay.
- Camera and object animation.
- Modeling, camera tracking, and scene layout.

# DCOY Studios, New York, NY

Lead CGI Artist, Jan 2018 - Apr 2021

Joined as a 3D-Generalist, establishing an environment to produce thousands of online shopping assets for Johnson & Johnson products. Created a Maya driven department to meet DCOY's growth and 3D ambitions.

#### Specific Highlights

- Hired and managed a team to create meticulous imagery for client's products.
- Mentored and guided new artists to reach client and company standards.
- Created 3D product renders for numerous Johnson & Johnson products including Aveeno, Neutrogena, Listerine, and others.

## Freelance 3D-Generalist

### East Side Effects, New York, NY

3D Generalist, Oct – Nov 2017: Modeling, lighting, and rendering *Private Life* (independent film) billboards in Maya and Arnold.

# Gentleman Scholar, New York, NY

Lead Lighter, Oct – Nov 2016: Online spots for Target's "Nutcracker Suite" campaign.

3D Generalist, June 2016: Modeling, lighting, rendering, and look development for undisclosed project.

#### Quietman, New York, NY

3D Generalist, Sep - Oct 2016: Lighting, rendering, and pre-comp on holiday spots for PepsiCo.

#### BBH New York, New York, NY

3D Generalist, Aug 2016: Modeling, lighting, texturing, and rendering for JBL headphones end tag.

#### Method Studios, New York, NY

3D Modeler, Jul - Aug 2016: Modeled character assets for Footlocker spot and a church for Rings (film).

## HUGE Inc., New York, NY

3D Generalist, Jul 2016: Modeling, camera animation, and rendering for sales pitches.

#### Wolf & Crow / Obsolete Robot

#### 3D-Artist, Los Angeles, CA, Sep 2011 – Feb 2016

Creative work on numerous projects and pitches including feature film, television, internet, short film animation, music videos, and others.

## Specific Highlights

- Lighting, layout, modeling, and animation for Love in Time of Advertising (short animated film).
- Camera tracking, lighting, modeling, and other 3D tasks for television spots including Plants vs
   Zombies 2, Apple (Beatles iTunes), AT&T World Cup spots, and Google.
- Lighting, layout, modeling, texturing, and editing for Marvel Avengers: Battle for Earth cinematics.

## **Meteor Games LLC**

## Lead Character Artist, West Hollywood, CA, Nov 2007 - Nov 2008

Oversaw animation and character/creature modeling on *Twin Skies*. 3D team liaison with programming, writing and conceptual development teams. Created demonstration of character customization for company's PAX debut.

#### Specific Highlights

- Analyzed department pipeline to discover more efficient ways to utilize resources.
- Planned, directed, and managed projects.
- Coordinated simultaneous development of multiple projects.

#### **SOFTWARE SKILLS**

Autodesk Maya	VRay	Arnold	SynthEyes	Speedtree
Adobe Substance, Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects, InDesign	Nuke	JIRA	Microsoft Office	PTGui

## **EDUCATION**

- Google UX Design Professional Certificate, May 2024 Current
- CG Society Workshop Lighting and Rendering in Maya with Jeremy Birn, 2009
- Savannah College of Art and Design Savannah, GA (2003-2007)
   B.F.A. Interactive Design / Game Development, Minor Visual Effects

## REFERENCES AND DEMO REEL

Demo Reel available at https://www.acuppajoe.com References available upon request (or visit linkedin.com/in/joegrossmann) IMDB available at https://link.acuppajoe.com/imdb