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EDUCATION

M.F.A., Computer Arts, Florida Atlantic University, FL, 1999.
M.A., Computer Animation, William Paterson College, Wayne, NJ, 1991.
B.F.A., Design, William Paterson College, Wayne, NJ, 1989.

WORK EXPERIENCE

PRODUCT SPECIALIST: Apple, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2018 - Present.
Delivering great customer experiences while connecting people with the tools they need to bring their personal/professional projects to life. Hands on problem solving.

INSTRUCTOR: Palm Beach State College, Lake Worth, FL, 2019 - Present.
Teaching non-linear video editing courses in both the Graphic Design and Motion Pictures programs.

INSTRUCTOR: The Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 1996 - 2018.
Developed curriculum for the Media Arts and Animation Department.
Teaching various 2D and 3D courses ranging from design fundamentals to portfolio courses.

INSTRUCTOR: Broward College, Davie, FL, 2013 - 2014.
Developed curriculum for 3D Computer Modeling for Animation, an elective course.
3D design fundamentals, and digital painting.

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE: Florida Center for Electronic Communication, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 1992 - 1996. Research and demonstration using various 2D and 3D software applications. Responsibilities included Systems Administration on several networked SGI machines. Worked with the MFA committee to implement a Masters of Computer Art at Florida Atlantic University. Created 4 Masters level courses for Florida Atlantic University. Oversaw internship and fellowship programs on IBM and SGI platform. Created and edited various animation's using several 2D and 3D animation software packages.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/SERVICE

Software Training – 2D and 3D software training on Windows OS and Mac OS, 2000 - 2018.
AIFL - Faculty art show entry. Works include Digital Paint pieces and Oil Paintings, 2000 - 2018
AIFL - Program Advisory Committee, 2016 - 2018.
AIFL - Committee on Institutional Advancement, 2016 - 2017.
AIFL - IDEA Task Force, 2016.
AIFL - Green Committee, 2009 - 2010.
Judging BCAEA Teacher Art Exhibition, 2016 - 2017.
NBC Career Development Week, 2013 and 2017.
MIA Animation Conference, 2015.
Young at Art - Created curriculum and taught Adobe Photoshop to teens and adults, 2013 - 2014.

FILM FESIVALS/SCREENINGS/BROADCASTS

BAM POW Art, Fort Lauderdale Florida, 2016. Entered two digital art images.
ArtCause, Pembroke Pines, FL, 2016. Donated digital Art to Broward College South Campus.
ANIMFEST, Athens, Greece, 2015, - "Passion Fruit"
Rendezvous Film Festival, Amelia Island, Florida, 2015, - "Passion Fruit"
Woman's Director International Film Festival, New Delhi, India, 2015 - "Passion Fruit"
"A Poet Ahead of His Time", Carrollwood Cultural Center, Tampa, FL, 2012
Compilation of work with commentary.

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Autodesk Maya, *Autodesk* 3ds Max, *Adobe* Photoshop, *Adobe* Illustrator, *Adobe* After Effects, *Adobe InDesign, Adobe* Premiere *Pro*, *Adobe* Dreamweaver, *Microsoft* word, *Microsoft* PowerPoint