

JOHN MICHAUD
CHARACTER ANIMATOR & STORYBOARD ARTIST

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SUMMARY

Over the past eleven years my animation has appeared on computer screens worldwide in Microsoft Office and in over twenty highly acclaimed children's computer games. I approach each new project the way an actor would a new role, aiming to give each character that I animate a unique, entertaining and believable personality.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Flash 8 Animator/Illustrator, Storyboard Artist 2006
Pacific Resources for Education and Learning – Honolulu, HI

Contributed storyboards and character/background/prop designs for handheld game aimed at helping 4th graders broaden their math and science vocabulary

Lead 2D & 3D Animator, Senior Animator, Storyboard Artist, Concept Artist, 3D Character Animator & Modeler 1997 - 2005
Atari / Humongous Entertainment - Bothell WA

Lead 3D Animator on **Backyard Baseball 2007**
Coordinated and supervised 3D animation of intro-movie for **Backyard Baseball 2005**
Animated intro-movie for **Pajama Sam 3-You Are What You Eat From Your Head to Your Feet**
Animated intro-movie for **Freddi Fish 3 - The Case of the Stolen Conch Shell**
Animated intro-movie for **Pajama Sam 4 - Life is Rough When You Lose Your Stuff**
Designed, storyboarded and animated the musical number for **Pajama Sam 4 - Life is Rough...**
Designed, storyboarded and animated the musical number for **Putt Putt - Pep's Birthday Surprise**
Created 2D/3D in-game/cut-scene animation for over 20 critically acclaimed games
Mentored coworkers, helping them to improve their animation skills
Initiated and coordinated after-hours animation projects involving up to 20 animators

Lead 2D Animator, Character Designer, Storyboard Artist 1995 - 1997
Microsoft Corporation - Redmond WA

Lead Animator on **Office 97 Social User Interface** project
Designed, storyboarded and animated **Clippy**, the **Microsoft Office 97** default help assistant
Designed, storyboarded and animated **Rocky**, a **Microsoft Internet Explorer** search companion and the **Hallmark Greetings Workshop** help assistant
Chose animators and studios, such as **Joan Gratz** and **International Rocketship**, to design and animate Office 97 help assistant characters
Designed and created various Shockwave games for **MSN Online** and **Microsoft Interactive**
Mentored coworkers, helping to them improve their animation skills

2D Animator & Storyboard Artist, 1985 – 1995

Freelance – New York NY, Richmond VA, Portland OR, Portland ME

Animated 1993 **MTV Movie Awards** bumper for "Best Music From Film" category
(Colossal Pictures/Harrison Powers, NY/VA)

Animated **Speedbump, the Roadkill Possum** short cartoons for **MTV's Liquid Television**
(Colossal Pictures/Harrison Powers, NY/VA)

Assistant-animated dozens of nationally broadcast television commercials
(Broadcast Arts, Metropolis Graphics, The Ink Tank, Mind's Eye, NY/VA)

Production artist and Oxberry camera operator on **Michael Jackson music video** "Leave Me Alone"
(Jim Blashfield Studios, OR)

Animated regionally broadcast **Nissin Bakeries** television commercial
(Video Services, ME)

Animated regionally broadcast **Maine Public Libraries** television commercial
(ImageWorks, ME)

EDUCATION

B.F.A. Film/Video/Animation 1985

Rhode Island School of Design - Providence RI

Animated student film, "Blackbird", shown during **Robert DeNiro's TriBeCa Film Center**
grand opening, 1990.

Graphics software programs that I have used in my work include:

Flash, Photoshop, Director, After Effects, Freehand, Illustrator, Alias Maya 3D

Asset Version Control:

Alienbrain, P4Win Perforce, Visual Source Safe

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