

# DANIEL OLIVAS

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## EDUCATION

**June 2017 Master of Fine Arts: Animation.**

*University of California, Los Angeles. Los Angeles, CA.*

**June 2011 Bachelor of Arts: Double Major in Art Studio & Film Studies  
Minor: Music**

*University of California, Davis. Davis, CA.*

## WORK HISTORY

**1/18- present**

### **Animator/VFX Artist**

#### **Digital Wizards Studios – Los Angeles, CA**

- Animate stop motion webisode series and advertisement for Spin Master Toys
- VFX consists of frame painting, rotoscoping, graphic design, and motion graphics. Responsibilities also include editing and sound design for promotional and episodic

**7/17- 11/17**

### **Puppets Fabricator**

#### **Stoopid Buddy Stoodios – Burbank, CA**

- Sculpt and rig puppets for Dreamworks' Captain Underpants & Disney XD Haunted Mansion.
- Tasks included building wire-armatures, detailing 3D printed replacement parts, miniature painting, sculpting braising, soldering, painting miniatures, rigging replacement miniatures, limbs and ball and socket armature.

**1/16-6/17**

### **Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Animation**

#### **Teaching Assistant, Stop Motion Animation**

#### **University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) – Los Angeles, CA**

- Assisted Instructors for the course and run Labs providing feedback and guidance for traditional hand drawn animation.
- Oversaw all course materials before animation shoots, shot pencil tests, set up and strike the classroom and managed equipment as needed. Assisted faculty as directed.
- Scheduled film screenings, course navigation, student critique and animation guidance, camera equipment and computer troubleshooting incorporating Dragonframe and Adobe CC software

**6/14- present**

### **Artist & Animator**

#### **Freelance - Los Angeles, CA**

- Create full-production animation services for clients in toy advertisement, webisode content, art installation, music videos, promotional content and more.
- Visual development, character design, storyboarding, puppet fabricating, 2D, 3D, and Stop motion animation, video editing, motion graphics, VFX, and sound design.

**11/11-8/14**

### **Sound Technician & Community Services Specialist**

#### **City of Davis, Community Services - Davis, CA**

- Assist Facility Manager with scheduling & reservation accuracy; Prepare/submit routine facility reservation reports
- Sound Engineer for city/community events; set up and strike crew for private events
- Customer Service in maintaining facility/equipment for users while enforcing policy and procedures

## AWARDS / ACHIEVEMENT

**2015-2017 Matt Groening Fellowship – Awarded 3 consecutive years**

**Los Angeles, CA**

**2017 Jerry M. Cox Memorial Award**

**Los Angeles, CA**

**2016 UCLA TFT | FilmLAB Fellows**

**Los Angeles, CA**

**2016 Edie & Lew Wasserman Fellowship**

**Los Angeles, CA**

**2015 Teri Schwartz Family and Friends Scholarship**

**Los Angeles, CA**

## FREELANCE ANIMATION

**Zander Productions (2017) – Stop Motion Ad**

**American Girl // AGZ Crew (2016) – Stop Motion Webisode**

**Scorpion Stomper Production (2016) – 2D Title Animation**

**Disney/Lucasfilms (2016) – Stop Motion Ad**

**The Industry (2015) – 2D/Stop Motion Films**

**Blue Air Marshal Films (2015) – 3D Intro**

**Rently Real Estate (2015) – 2D Ad**

**Zemma Productions (2014) – 2D Intro**

**DEMO REEL: <https://vimeo.com/214691685>**

## SOFTWARE SKILLS

TV Paint - Maya - Dragonframe - After Effects - Premiere - Photoshop - Illustrator - CC Animate - Audition - Final Cut Pro