

Vanessa Sweet CURRICULUM VITAE

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Filmmaker

EDUCATION

California Institute of the Arts- MFA Experimental Animation. 2017

University of the Arts in Philadelphia- BFA Animation. 2009

TEACHING

2019-present Rochester Institute of Technology, Assistant Professor in School of Film and Animation. *Rochester, NY.*

2012-present SleepingFox Studio. Founder, Designer and Animator

2014 - 2016 Z.J. Loussac Public Library. DRAW! Workshop. Instructed Figure Drawing Lessons. *Anchorage, AK.*

2015 University of Anchorage Alaska (UAA), Continuing Education Dept. Animation and Game Design Summer Courses. *Anchorage, AK*

2011 - 2012 Inner City Arts. CAPSA- in association with CalArts. MFA Graduate Teaching Animation. *Los Angeles, CA.*

2011 Inner City Arts Summer Camp. *Los Angeles, CA*

2010 - 2011 California Institute of the Arts (CalArts). Assistant Teacher to Soyeon Kim. Digital Animation/ AfterEffects. *Valencia, CA*

2009 - 2011 California Institute of the Arts (CalArts). Assistant Teacher to Sue Kroyer. Intermediate Traditional Animation. *Valencia, CA*

EMPLOYMENT

2019- present Rochester Institute of Technology: Assistant Professor School of Film and Animation. *Rochester, NY*

2015 - 2016 ACE USA: Junior Graphic Designer. *Anchorage, AK.*

2013 - 2014 Atta Sports and Promotions: Graphic Designer. *Anchorage, AK.*

2013 - present Sleeping Fox Studios: Founder and Designer/Animator. *Anchorage, AK*

2012 Harvey Mudd Colleges. Asst. Director and Animator for *Who Rules the Earth.* *Claremont, CA.*

2012 Pubertina: Clean up and Colorist for Youtube series Pubertina. *Valencia, CA*

2012 Animation Domination Hi-Def: Colorist and Animator on AxeCop Pilot. *Los Angeles, CA*

2011 - 2013 Intuary Inc: Illustrator for FarFaria Children's Book App. *Valencia, CA*

2011 - 2013 YellowShed: Animator for various shorts and commercials. *Los Angeles, CA*

2009 MotionHeads: Intern Animator. *Philadelphia, PA*

EXHIBITIONS and PANELS

2021 Animated Womxn, MANIPULATE Festival. Artists Panel- Virtual. Edinburg, Scotland

2020 The NapCap; Milwaukee Film Festival. Panel- Virtual. Milwaukee, Wisconsin

2016 Ninja, Modern Dwellers, Group Show with Nic Sweet. Anchorage Alaska

2015 Fox in a Box, Bailiwick, Group Show with Nic Sweet. Anchorage Alaska

2014 Halloween Showcase, Bailiwick, Group Show. Anchorage Alaska

2014 Nerd Art Showcase, ZJ Loussac Public Library, Group Show. Anchorage Alaska

2012 *La Huesera*, CalArts Main Gallery, MFA Group Show. Valencia, CA

AWARDS / GRANTS

2020 *Gold Award in Animation- Wild Woman.* UFVA Conference.

2018 *Best Independent Animation- 3rd Place.* Wild Woman. ASIFA EAST Film Festival.

2018 *Best Animation.* Wild Woman. PA Indie Shorts Film Festival.

2018 *Best Animated Short.* Wild Woman. ANIMAZE:Montreal International Animation Festival.

2018 *Best Animated Short.* Wild Woman. Equinox Women's Film Festival.

2018 *Best Animated Short.* Wild Woman. Subversive Film Society Film Festival

2018 *Best Animation.* Wild Woman. Imagine This Women's International Film Festival

2017 *Individual Artist Project Award.* Rasmuson Foundation. Anchorage, AK

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2014 *Best Student Film*. Who Rules the Earth. Hawai'i Ocean Film Festival. Hawai'i

NOTABLE SCREENINGS

Bridging the Gap- 6 m 28s 2021

BBC Four

Wild Woman: 3m 46 s 2018 *Truncated list.

Imagine This Women's International Film Festival + Girl Power Summit (New York City, NY)

ASIFA EAST Film Festival (New York City, NY)

St. Louis International Film Festival (St. Louis, Missouri)

Montreal International Animation Festival ANIMAZE (Montreal, Quebec, Canada)

Brooklyn Film Festival (New York City, NY)

Animation Block Party ((New York City, NY)

Philadelphia Independent Film Festival (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)

Seattle Transmedia and Independent Film Festival (Seattle, Washington)

Women Make Waves International Film Festival (Taipei, Taiwan)

Conscious Cartoons International Animation Festival (Vashon, Washington)

Film Leben (Ilmenau, Germany)

Linoleum International Film Festival (Kyiv, Ukraine)

MôTiF Film Festival (Fairbanks, Alaska)

La Truca (Cali, Colombia)

Edmonton Film Festival (Edmonton, Alberta, Canda)

NW Filmmakers Festival (Portland, Oregon)

Anchorage International Film Festival (Anchorage, Alaska)

Blue Danube Film Festival (Vienna, Austria)

Waterford Film Festival (Waterford, Ireland)

Anibar International Animation Festival - Out of Competition (Peja, Kosovo)

Ottawa International Animation Festival - Out of Competition (Ottawa, Ontario, Canada)

Milwaukee Film Festival (Milwaukee, Wisconsin)

MANIPULATE Festival (Edinburg, Scotland)

What the President Said- 2m 11s

2018

PasteMagazine

All Music Access

East Portland Blog

Vents Magazine

LA-Story

ECR Music Group

Who Rules the Earth - 10 m

2012

Hawai'i Ocean Film Festival (Honolulu, Hawaii)

Wild & Scenic Film Festival (Nevada City, California)

Cinema Verde Film and Arts Festival (Gainesville, Florida)

Lassen Film Festival (Mineral, California)

Benchwarmers - 1m

2009

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Philadelphia Film Festival (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)

PUBLICATIONS / INTERVIEWS

- 2019 Of Time and Tide: Profile of Vanessa Sweet written by Dawnell Smith
<https://www.rasmuson.org/49writers/artist-profile/vanessa-sweet/>
- 2018 Hlghlight article for Anchorage International Film Festival. Bright Light In The Middle of a Dark Winter. 11.28.2018. <https://www.rasmuson.org/news/bright-light-in-the-middle-of-dark-winter/>
- 2018 Interview with Jacob Mann for Alaska Frontiersman. Wild Woman. 3.10.18
https://www.frontiersman.com/arts_entertainment/wild-woman/article_b3d53066-2503-11e8-97c1-9b15b055663a.html
- 2017 Radio Interview with Lauren Frost for KNOM. Story 49: The Painter and The Animator.6.14.17 <http://www.knom.org/wp/blog/2017/06/14/story49-the-painter-and-the-animator/>
- 2017 Grant Announcement and Featurette for Rasmuson Foundation. 5.11.17
<https://www.rasmuson.org/news/rasmuson-foundation-announces-2017-individual-artist-awards/>
- 2017 *Berry Love*. Illustrated cover for Alaska Women Speak. Fall 2017 Issue
- 2016 Interview with Rejoy Armamento for 61° North. Splashing Some Color N' Love on the Walls. 8.29.16 <https://www.adn.com/special-sections/61degnorth/2016/08/29/splashing-some-color-n-love-on-walls/>
- 2012 *Wind Demon's Curse*. Written by Adrian Ridling (Thomas G. Wenig). Illustration credited as Vanessa Buldowski. Produced by Intuary Inc for Farfaria App.
- 2012 *Mr Twitch and Mr. Squeak*. Written by Neha Sempat. Illustration credited as Vanessa Buldowski. Produced by Intuary Inc for Farfaria App.
- 2012 *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. Written by Katia Senff. Illustration credited as Vanessa Buldowski. Produced by Intuary Inc for Farfaria App.
- 2012 *Wizard of Oz Part 1: Dorothy Goes to Oz*. Written by Conrad T. Mahoney. Illustration credited as Vanessa Buldowski. Produced by Intuary Inc for Farfaria App.
- 2012 *Wizard of Oz Part 2: The Emerald City*. Written by Conrad T. Mahoney. Illustration credited as Vanessa Buldowski. Produced by Intuary Inc for Farfaria App.
- 2011 Interview with Rondal Scott for Strange Kids Club. Unearthing Veeblesaurus: Interview with Cartoonist Vanessa Buldowski. 5.11.11
<http://www.strangekidsclub.com/2011/05/11/unearthing-veeblesaurus-interview-w-cartoonist-vanessa-buldowski/>

RESIDENCIES/ WORKSHOPS

- 2008 Animation Summer Workshop. École Européenne Supérieure de l'Image. Poitiers, France.

PROGRAM SPECIALIZATIONS

Adobe After Effects ★★★★★
Adobe Premiere ★★★★★
Adobe Photoshop ★★★★★
Adobe Animate ★★★★★
Adobe Illustrator ★★★★★

Adobe Soundbooth ★★★★★
Adobe Media Encoder ★★★★★
TV Paint ★★★★★
Dragonframe Stop Motion ★★★★★
Toonboom Harmony ★★★★★

Maya ★
Z-Brush ★
Blender ★

MEMBERSHIPS

ASIFA East
Women in Animation
Society for Children's Book Writers and Illustrators (SCBWI)
University Film and Video Association