Stop Motion Typography Workshop

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2. Context of Workshop

Stop Motion Typography Workshop is an international workshop which has been accomplished in design festivals such as TypoBerlin 2015, MODE Dublin 2015, BDF Bishkek 2015, MOTYF Warsaw 2015.

The workshop is combining interdisciplinary elements such as stop motion animation and typography to explore both experimental / conceptual typographic forms and animations. The aim of the workshop is expressing the interaction between the meaning and form by using daily objects as animated as unexpected typographic forms.

3. Planned Activities and Expected Outcomes

The workshop is divided into three stages. The first stage is about finding the concepts from the daily objects to work as a typographic animation. Collaborative brainstorming and sketching will create a lot of interesting and exciting ideas.

The second stage is about planning and preparing for the production stage. Partners will use any objects they can find to express their ideas at best. Questions will be asked about the storyboards, execution and also technical assistance about stop motion animation will be given to the participants.
The third stage will be where the hands are getting dirty. The partners will collaborate to animate and film the objects as typographic forms based on their sketches and storyboards. They will use simple montage software or applications to finalize their work and show it to the rest of the workshop.

4. Intended Audience
The workshop is aimed at both students and professional designers from different backgrounds who will experience very important steps in the creative continuum by focusing on brainstorming, collaboration, assessing resources, visualization and producing outcome. 20 participants is ideal for both producing and reevaluating the final work.

5. Length of Workshop
The workshop is divided into three sections which 3-4 hours (half-day) is enough to complete from start to end.

6. Space and Equipment Required
Studio environment with wifi connection, projection, tables and chairs is needed from the organisation. The rest is expected to bring by the participants.

- Daily small objects (at least 10 pieces)
- Camera / Smart Phone
- Tripod
- Colored paper
- Tracing Paper
- Duck Tape

7. Potential Outputs
Stop Motion technique is so much related about foreseeing the future. The lineer workflow is so rigid to breakdown, and any errors will force the participant to start over again. So planning and anticipating for a creative animation output will require so much effort and focus which are organized through the workshop.

Participant will conceptualize, produce and display their stop motion typography animations during the workshop.

Collaboration is a must for every step of the workshop so there will be so many challenges for the participants such as leading and following for the creative outcome, reevaluating the daily objects by upcycling them to a design concept, finding and reusing the resources to support the idea, building bridges between form and meaning.
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