

# Steven Payne

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An enthusiastic and passionate CG Arts and Animation graduate with a 2:1 honours degree from the University for the Creative Arts, seeking opportunities to further develop skills in filmmaking and animation through a career in film and television production.

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## Strengths and Skills

- Strong modelling and animation skills in Autodesk Maya, alongside a competent understanding of the 3D animation production pipeline
  - Proficiency in numerous creative software packages, including Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere Pro and After Effects
  - Advanced writing skills, through the submission of regular essays, as well as a researched dissertation and the regular contribution to my personal project blog
  - Confident verbal communication skills, developed as a result of regular project pitches, critique sessions and interacting with customers in a retail environment
  - Self-motivation and initiative honed by independent freelance employment and long term university projects
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## Employment History

### Self Employed - Freelance Maya Generalist

May 2013 - Present

Throughout my studies and beyond, I have undertaken a number of freelance jobs that utilised my skills as a 3D modeller and animator. These have included:

- Ident development for the *University of the Creative Arts*
- Product visualisation and promotional animation for *Clarke Rendall*, a bespoke furniture design company
- A collaborative animation between graduates from UCA and the Mobile Arts School In Kenya (MASK), adapting the paintings of local artists and school children to CG animation

### Picasso Pictures, Soho - Work Experience/Production Assistant

May 2013 - August 2013

Two weeks work experience during which I contributed to an advertisement for *Kynect*, Kentucky's healthcare scheme. My work involved:

- Modelling background assets in Autodesk Maya to be integrated as part of the animation
- Assisting the directors and producers with tasks such as typing and adjustments to animatics
- Running general errands around London, including the delivery of files and organising a private exhibition for a visiting artist

My performance during my work experience led to a period of freelance employment, working as a Production Assistant on an advertisement for *Feliway*. This included:

- Working closely with the 2D and 3D animators to support the project between departments
- Breaking down 3D animation into frames for rotoscoping
- Wrangling hand drawn frames of animation and compositing them into animated footage, working in Adobe After Effects, Flash and Bridge

### Morrisons, Maidstone - Pharmacy Assistant

July 2011 - Present

The main focus of my work as a Pharmacy Assistant is patient interaction. This includes:

- Advising patients on their health concerns and diagnosing and addressing minor ailments
- Remaining professional when under pressure and addressing patients with more private concerns
- As well as this, I also carry out regular cleaning duties, replenish stock and perform any additional tasks to efficiently support the team

## Education

### University for the Creative Arts

2011 - 2015

2:1 BA (Hons) CG Arts and Animation

Skills Developed:

- Advanced modelling and animation skills using Autodesk Maya
- Analytical and perceptive thinking
- Independent learning
- Proficiency in numerous creative software applications, notably Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects and Premiere Pro
- Confident writing skills, both for narrative and academic purposes
- Thorough understanding of the 3D animation production pipeline

### Valley Park Community School Sixth Form

2009 - 2011

A-Levels

- Photography - B

BTECs

- Engineering - Distinction
- ICT - Merit

### Valley Park Community School

2004 - 2009

9 GCSEs, A - C, including English, Maths and Science

6 BTECs, Distinction - Merit, in Art and Design, Engineering and ICT

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## Hobbies and Interests

A lifelong passion for cinema has fostered a great interest in and expansive knowledge of the medium, both from a critical and a production perspective. As well as this, I enjoy literature, graphic design, live music and visiting museums and galleries.

## Additional Information

- Examples of my work are documented in great detail on my personal project blog: [stevenpayneuca.blogspot.co.uk](http://stevenpayneuca.blogspot.co.uk)
- My work was exhibited at the New Designers expo in 2015. Prior to this, I also attended the show to assist the University for the Creative Arts, helping to construct and maintain the stand as well as promoting the university by positively interacting with visitors
- I have been trained to administer First Aid since 2014