McKenzie Chaffins

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ANIMATOR

Animator with a love and passion for creating whimsical creatures and stories. BFA in Animation from Lipscomb University. Experienced in traditional animation and in Toon Boom Harmony with expertise as a clean up and inbetweener artist.

PROFESSIONAL ANIMATION SKILLS

- Animation
  - Strong understanding of the 12 principles of animation, utilizing them to craft fluid, expressive, and emotionally compelling movements, ensuring characters and scenes are both engaging and visually appealing.
  - Experienced in collaborating with animators, directors, and other team members to ensure the animation meets project deadlines and quality standards.
  - Skilled in using industry-standard software such as Toon Boom Harmony and TVPaint for animation.
  - Adept at organizing and managing layers and files for an efficient workflow.
  - Outstanding time management with the ability to meet deadlines while maintaining a high standard of animation quality.

- Color Animator
  - Skilled in color animation, expertly applying color palettes and shading techniques to enhance mood, depth, and visual appeal in 2D animation while maintaining consistency across scenes.

- Clean Up Artist
  - Proficient in creating precise and clear clean-up drawings based on rough animation sketches, ensuring consistency and clarity throughout the animation process.
  - Ability to follow style guides and maintain continuity across multiple frames while working with complex character and background designs.

- Tiedown Animator
  - Proficient in tiedown animation, ensuring clean, precise linework and consistent character poses throughout the animation process to maintain fluidity and coherence in 2D animation.

Character Animator	Director	Compositor
2D Animator	Inbetweener Artist	Character Designer
Harmony Animator	Storyboard Artist	Concept Developer
Tie Down Animator	SFX Artist	Human/Animal Drawing/Visual

PROFESSIONAL ANIMATION SOFTWARE

Toon Boom Harmony	Storyboard Pro	Adobe Premiere
TVPaint	Photoshop	Autodesk Maya
Clip Studio Paint		

CHARACTER CORE COMPETENCIES

Detail Oriented	Proactive	Conscientious
Organized	Driven	Problem Solver
Creative	Adaptive	Methodical
Collaborative	Self-Motivated	Loyal and Dependable

Portfolio	2D Animation Reel	Clean up and Inbetweening Reel
MCKENZIE CHAFFINS - ANIMATOR **https://www.im-creator.com/free/kenziefayy/creationsofkenziefay**	*McKenzie Chaffins* *2D animation reel* *mckenzie.chaffins@gmail.com* **https://youtu.be/UfwicGooYxM**	*McKenzie Chaffins* *Clean up Inbetweening reel* *mckenzie.chaffins@gmail.com* **https://youtu.be/AszbcQYtAzw?si=vOojdkaDyQKXIL9h**

EXPERIENCE

StudioFresco | 2024 – Present

Color animator for the short film "Axolodyssey"

- Axolodyssey Short Film | Meet Jojo!

 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lFVi3YKWI9Y

- Skills: Color Animator · Tie Down Animator
- Software: TVPaint

Trader Joe's | 2023 – Present

Crew Member: Create sign art which involves composing eye-catching signage for product promotion, window art, special projects, decorations, and display boards that are both beautiful and understandable to promote Trader Joe's products.

- Provide excellent customer service to guests while ensuring compliance with company policy and procedures
- Assist customers with shopping needs, including product selection, price comparisons, and payment options
- Answer questions regarding products, services, pricing, promotions, and availability
- Ensure proper and effective display of all merchandise
- Confirm all merchandise is priced accurately and prominently

Upenndo! Productions | 2024

Clean up Artist for the short film "Asali: Power of the Pollinators"

- ASALI: Power of The Pollinators | Official Teaser Trailer

 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rd6il2nMcuM

- Skills: Color Animator · Clean up Artist
- Software: Toon Boom Harmony

Shrek 2 Retold | 2023

Clean up Artist and Ink and Paint for the film "Shrek 2 Retold"

- Shrek 2 Retold | Official Teaser Trailer

 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BtbjiA0Far4

- Skills: Color Animator · Clean up Artist
- Software: Toon Boom Harmony

The Neverwas | 2023

Lead animator for the animated scenes in the live action short film "The Neverwas"

- The Neverwas | 2023

 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0SgVzr8Xr4M

- Skills: Animation · Character Animation · Color Animator · Clean up Artist · Tie Down Animator
- Software: TVPaint · Toon Boom Harmony

Pencilish Animation Studios | 2022 - 2023

Clean up Assistant and Inbetweener for episodes two and three of the animated series "Bjorn the Last Unicorn"

- <u>Bjorn the Last Unicorn</u> | Episode 3: When Unicorns Meet Pizza, Anything Can Happen

   https://youtu.be/zP-cPW05g_c?si=g3aWLKjisxrsYidv

- Skills: Inbetweener Artist
- Software: Toon Boom Harmony

Lead Clean up Assistant and Inbetweener animator for the official title sequence of the new animated series "Aro Lucha"

- <u>Aro Lucho</u> | Official Title Sequence Reveal
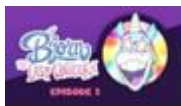
   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MiQ4B6gtDvk

- Skills: Clean up Artist · Tie Down Animator · Inbetweener Artist
- Software: Toon Boom Harmony

Inbetweener artist for many animated shots on the first episode of "Bjorn the Last Unicorn"

- <u>Bjorn the Last Unicorn</u> | Episode 1

   https://youtu.be/0btNihlPi1g?si=2udVcDi2GK_I63SC

- Skills: Inbetweener Artist
- Software: Toon Boom Harmony

Tennessee Titans | 2022 - 2023

Clean up Assistant and Compositor in Toon Boom Harmony for a promotional animation for the NFL's Tennessee Titans

- <u>2023 Tennessee Titans Schedule Release</u>
- Skills: Color Animator · Clean up Artist · Compositor
- Software: Toon Boom Harmony

The Dead Sea Squirrels | 2021 - 2022

Harmony Animator using rigs in Toon Boom Harmony on episodes two, three and four for the series "The Dead Sea Squirrels"

- <u>The Dead Sea Squirrels</u> | Episodes 2 - 4

   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=scY91MXBUWk

- Skills: Character Animation · Compositor · Character Designer
- Software: Toon Boom Harmony

Bea's Garden | 2022

Director, Character Designer, Concept Developer and Storyboard Artist for entirety of my Sr. Thesis short film "Bea's Garden"

- <u>Bea's Garden</u>

   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ZZ4zYDOteI

- Skills and Software: Director · Character Design · Concept Development · Storyboard Artist · Animation · Color Animator · Clean up Artist · Tie Down Animator
- Software: Toon Boom Harmony · TVPaint · Clip Studio Paint

Bear Puncher | 2021

Animator and Clean up Artist for four-legged creatures on five scenes for Daniel Haycox's short film "Bear Puncher"

- <u>Bear Puncher</u>

   https://youtu.be/5XcR9zv3_Gg?si=nb-cGCargGcaoMUI

- Skills: Animation · Clean up Artist · Tie Down Animator
- Software: TVPaint

Sketchy Dealings | 2021

Animator and Clean up Artist for several scenes and Sound Effect Artist for entirety of film "Sketchy Dealings"

- Sketchy Dealings

   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q7Ei5Z9h-xk

- Skills: Animation · Color Animator · Clean up Artist · Tie Down Animator · Sound Effect Artist
- Software: TVPaint

Home Slice | 2021

Animator and Clean up Artist for a few scenes of dog animation and Sound Effect Artist for entirety of film "Home Slice"

- Home Slice

   https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nnqTII9mxEU

- Skills: Animation · Color Animator · Clean up Artist · Tie Down Animator · Sound Effect Artist
- Software: TVPaint

Awaken International | 2020

Clean up Artist for multiple scenes on The Trauma Healing Children's Animation Project "Awaken International"

- Awaken International
- Skills: Clean up Artist
- Software: TVPaint

Tennessee Titans | 2020

Clean Up animator using TVPaint on several scenes for animated video for the NFL's "Tennessee Titans"

- 2020 Tennessee Titans Schedule Release | Titan Man climbs Mount Olympus to bring you the 2020 Titans schedule

   https://youtu.be/rDm3NAO7ZUQ?si=hbw9usoyWQO7kuQs

- Skills: Clean up Artist
- Software: TVPaint

EDUCATION

Lipscomb University | *Bachelor of Fine Arts – Animation* 'cum laude' | 2022

Tennessee Governor's School for the Arts | *Filmmaking* | 2017

AWARDS

2017: Nashville Film Festival Official Selection – *Believed In Me*	2018: Nashville Film Festival Official Selection – *Spy Games*
https://youtu.be/o7HdTP0h7f8?si=S50vFxDBrbKs5TVI	https://youtu.be/BpvorDnsV0s?si=_vAwP3Xr5uDEQgkc