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#### **Character Animation**

Overview and Informational Session



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Class of 2020

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#### Character Animation

Curriculum Overview





# Our Strategy:

- Narrative Story Telling
- State of the Art Digital Tools
- Teamwork Production Experience





# Changes in Fall 2018 undergraduate catalog

Removal of Advanced Core

- DIG 3525 Digital Media Production
- DIG 3024 Digital Cultures and Narratives
- DIG 4780C Modeling for Realtime Systems
- DIG 3480C Computer as a Medium



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### Fall, Junior Year

- DIG 3433C Visual Story and Visual Development
- FIL 3720C Introduction to Animation
- •DIG 4323C Modeling for Visual Language
- DIG 3643C Digital Effects & Compositing





# Spring, Junior Year

- DIG 4451C Visual Story and Visual Development Workshop
- FIL 3734C Intermediate Animation
- DIG 4359C Artificial Environments & Effects Workshop
- DIG 4326C Geometric Modeling Workshop
- DIG 4325C Look Modeling Workshop



#### Fall, Senior Year

#### Required:

- DIG 4486C Visual Language of the Moving Image 2
- DIG 4206C New Imagery in Motion
- DIG 3355C Artificial Environments & Effects
- DIG 4624C Digital Prod. for Artificial Environments



# Spring, Senior Year

#### Required:

- DIG 4434C Narrative Techniques of the Moving Image
- DIG 4394C Motion Graphics: Advanced Compositing
- DIG 4354C Advanced 3D Animation
- DIG 4373C 3D Textures



#### Character Animation

Application Information





# Requirments

- 1. APPLY and be accepted to UCF.
- 2. COMPLETE prerequisite courses.
- 3. PASS mandatory portfolio review.



### Prerequisites

- Must have completed or be enrolled in all prerequisites at the time of application.
- Acceptance is conditional until all criteria are met.
- Depends on your catalog year
- Contact undergraduate student advisor svadadvising@ucf.edu



#### NOTE:

- Character Animation is a highly competitive, limited access program.
- Acceptance is limited to 30 students.
- Students are encouraged to simultaneously apply for Sophomore Portfolio and/or Graphic Design Portfolio for additional options.



#### NOTE:

• Character Animation classes are currently held downtown at the Center for Emerging Media. However, beginning in fall 2019, all classes are scheduled on the UCF Main Campus.



# February 4, 2019

Application Deadline for admittance for Fall, 2019
February 15 2019 5pm
Notification by March 8<sup>th</sup>



# How to Apply:

instructions and application link:

https://svad.cah.ucf.edu/character-animationportfolio/

Note: The 2019 Application is Online!

https://app.getacceptd.com/ucfsvad



#### The 3 Areas:

- Writing Skills 30%
- Academics 30%
- Character Animation Portfolio Review 40%



# Writing Skills 30%

- Cover Letter
- Creative Short Story
- Essay Questions



#### Academics 30%

- Transcript or Degree Audit
- 3.0 GPA (calculated and submitted by SVAD advising)
- Letter of Recommendation
- Ability to follow application directions



#### CA Portfolio 40%

- •10-15 total pieces
- Observational Drawing (4 pieces min)
- •2D Design, 3D Design, Sculpture, or Building Arts (5 pieces min)
- •Time Based Media (1 piece up to 1m)



# Avoid Submitting:

Websites

(but screen captures of the design can be submitted as a 2D Design example)



#### Portfolio Samples





# Observational Drawing





# Observational Drawing

- 4+ images (minimum 4)
- Traditional ONLY
- Understanding of 2D Composition
- Drawing from life ONLY
- Attention to detail
- Examples include: figure drawings, still life, landscapes, interior or exterior drawings of buildings.



# Avoid Submitting:

drawings of princesses, dragons, unicorns, trolls, elves, anime characters with seven reflections in the eyes that shimmer, or vampires with blood splurting out."

...Jim Story





















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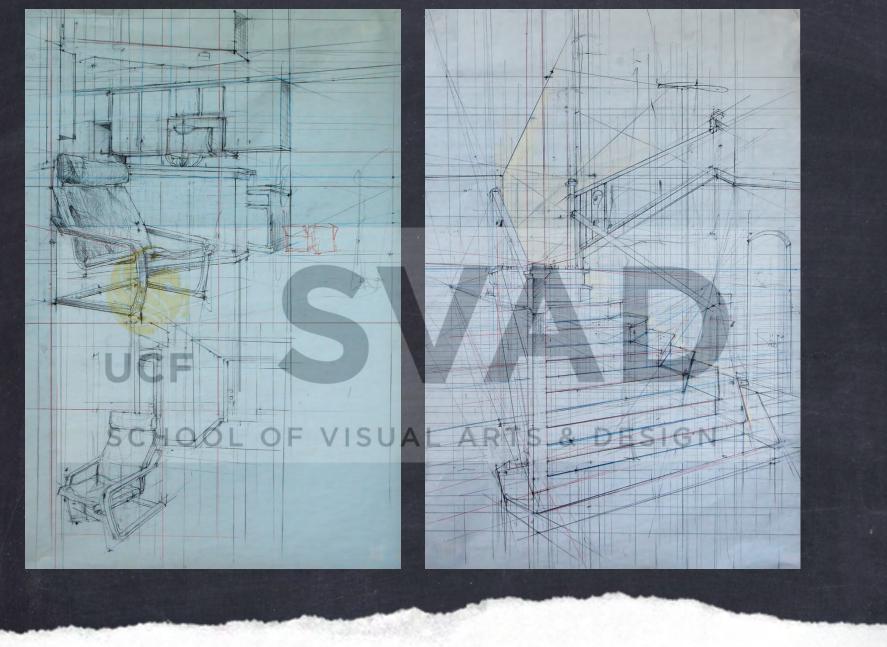






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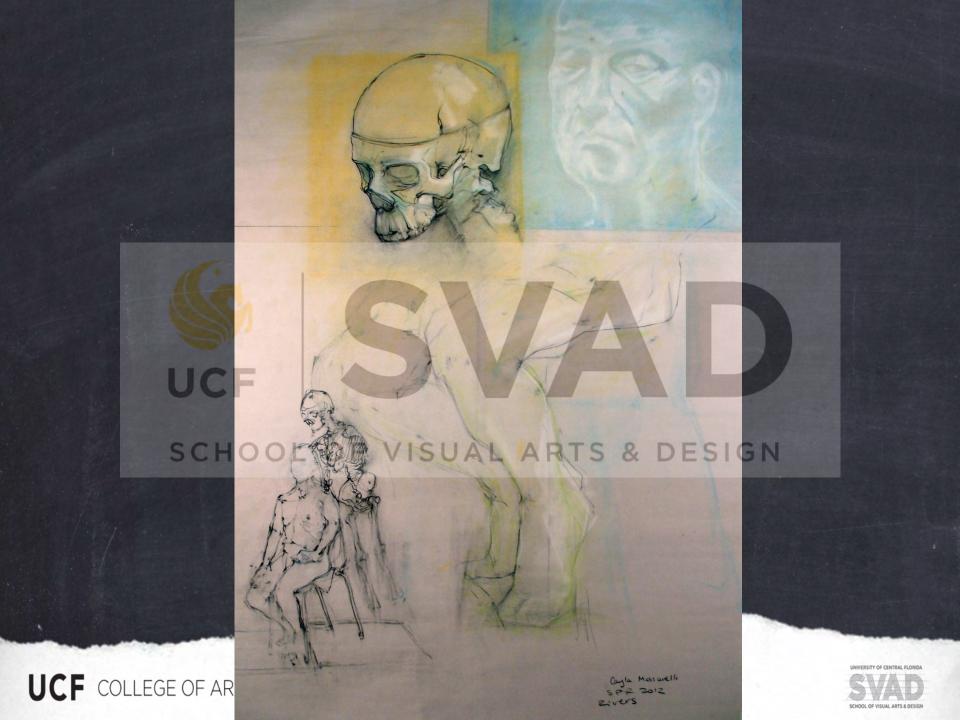
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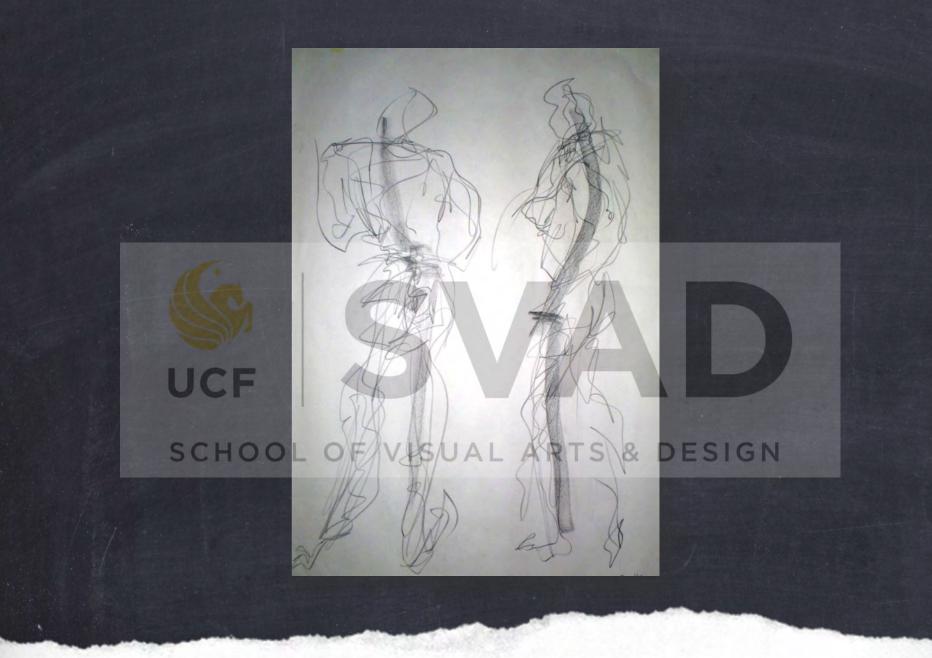




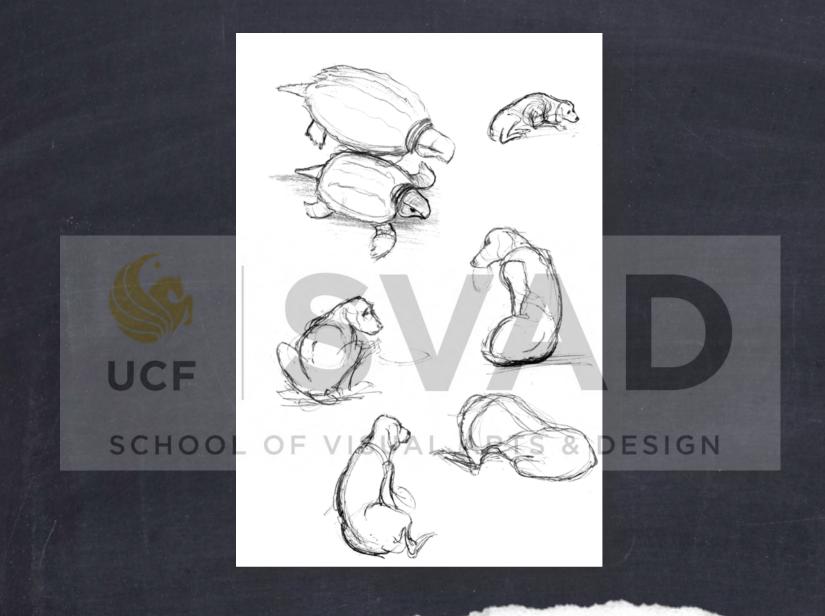










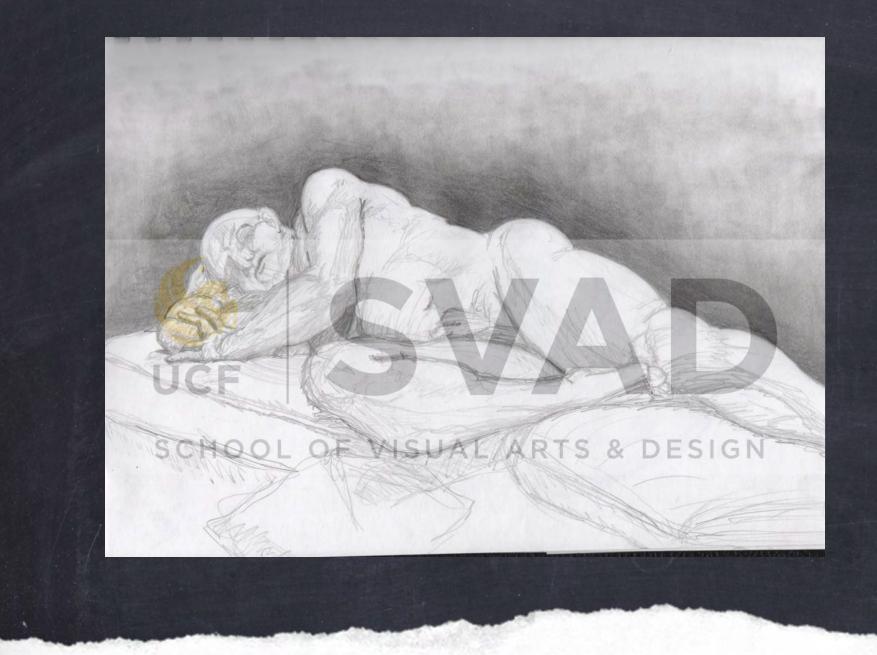


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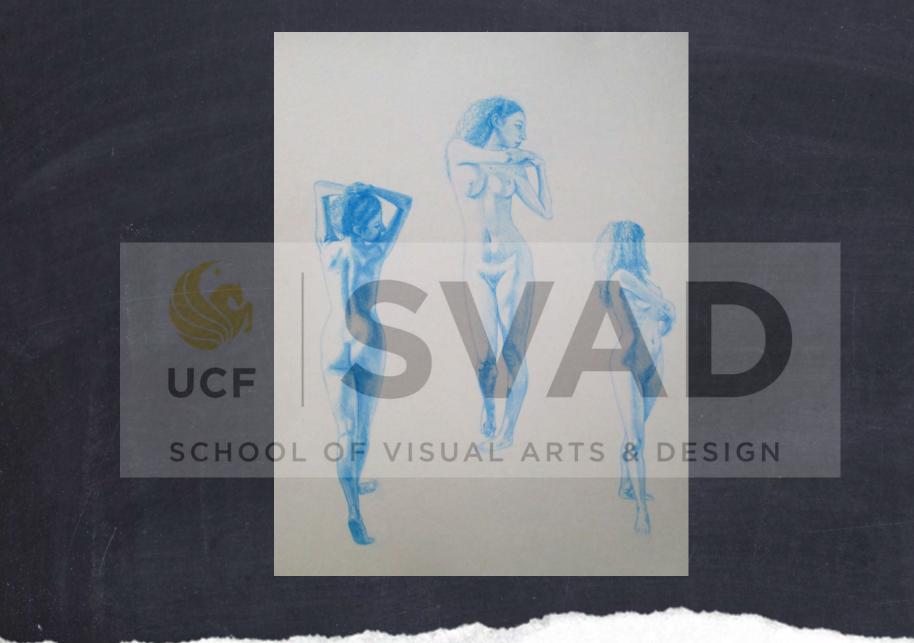
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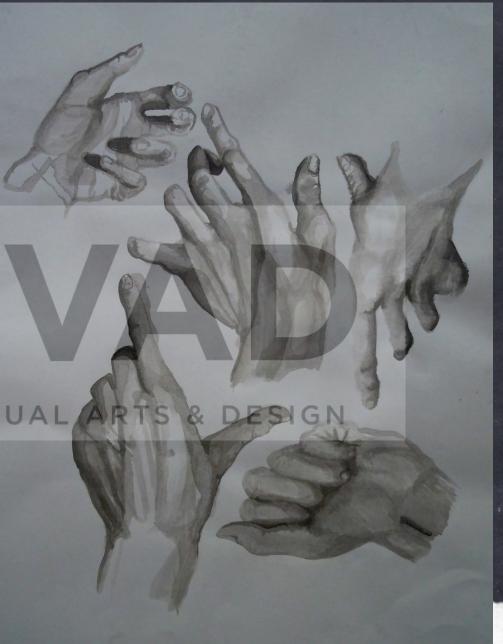








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• 5+ images (minimum 5)







#### 2D Design

- •Traditional or Digital
- Understanding of 2D Composition
- Understanding of Color Theory
- Examples include: drawing, painting, design, printmaking, ESIGN collage, or photography



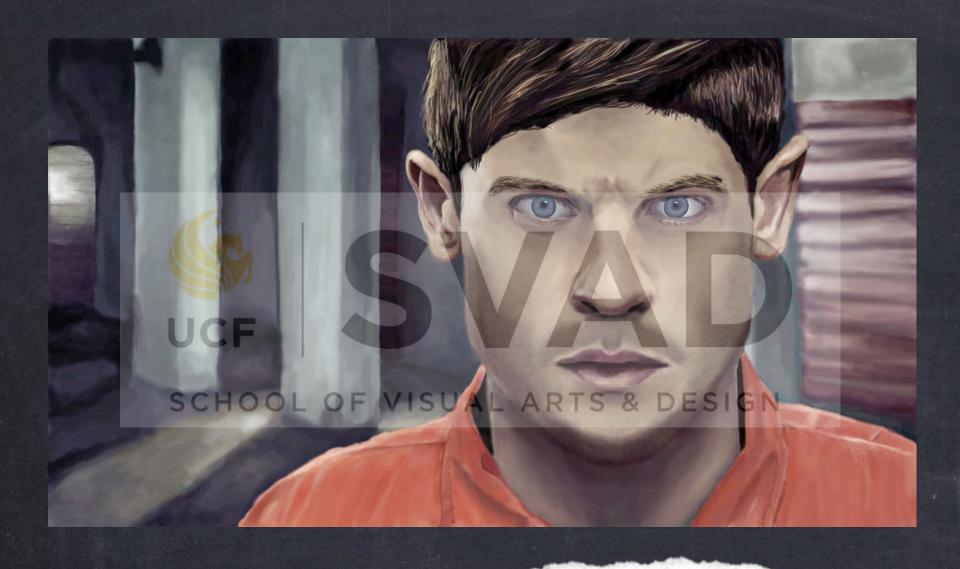














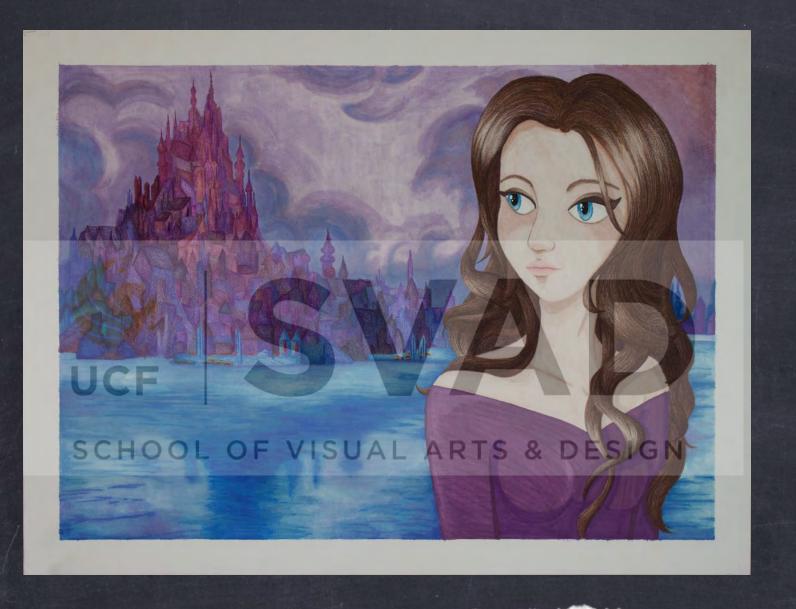












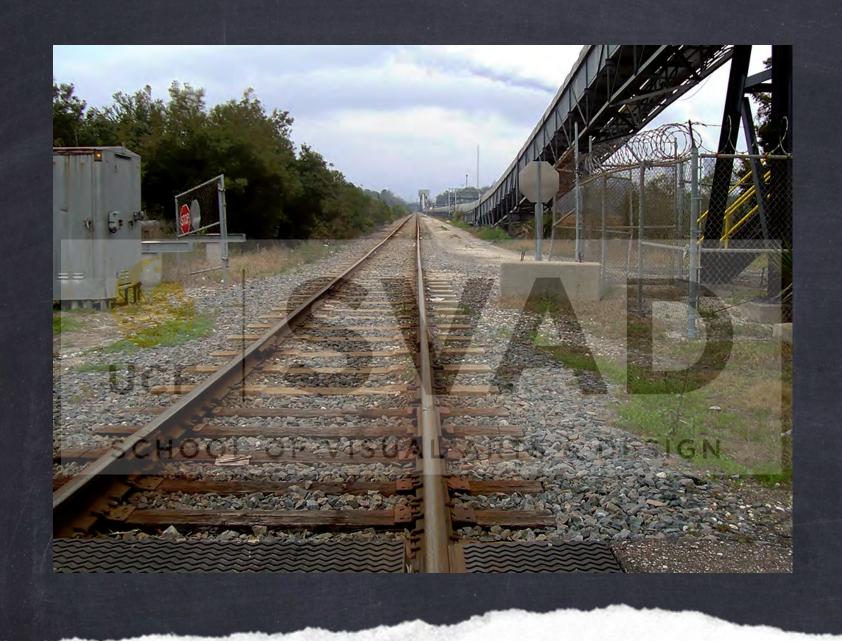












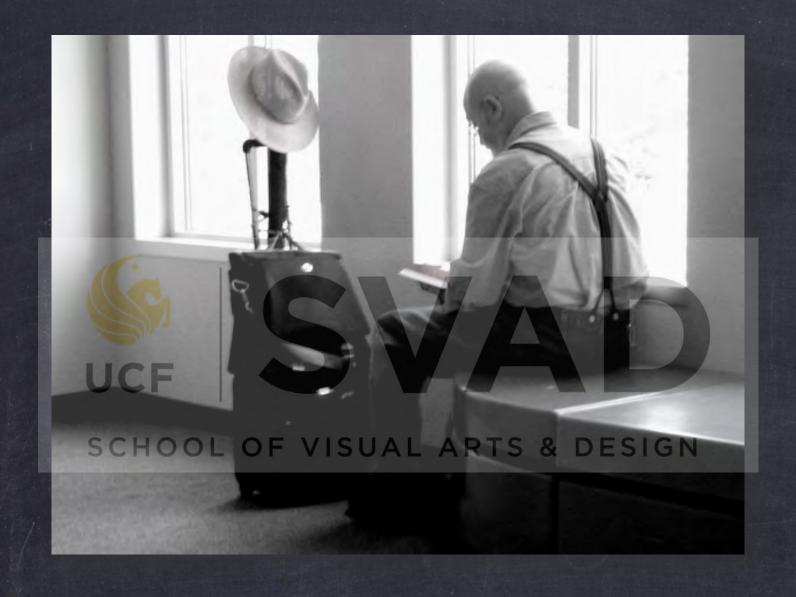














# 3D Design, Sculpture, or UCF Building Arts SCHO BUILDING ARTS





## 3D Design, Sculpture, or Building Arts

- Traditional or Digital
- Understanding of 3D Composition
- Understanding of Color Theory
- Examples include: ceramics, sculpture, furniture, jewelry, fashion, fiber art, CG modeling, or CAD drawings











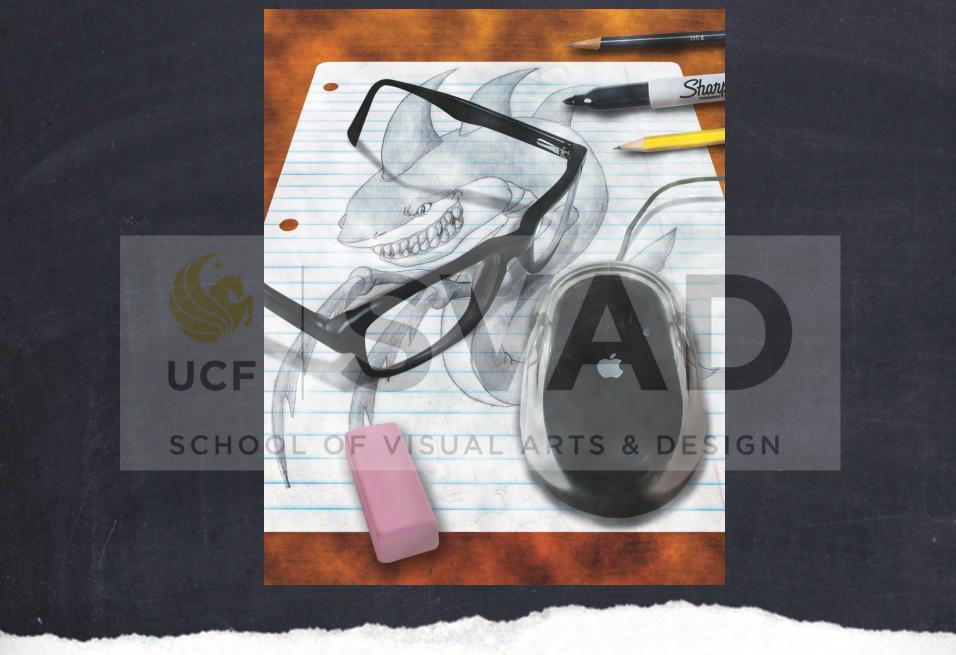










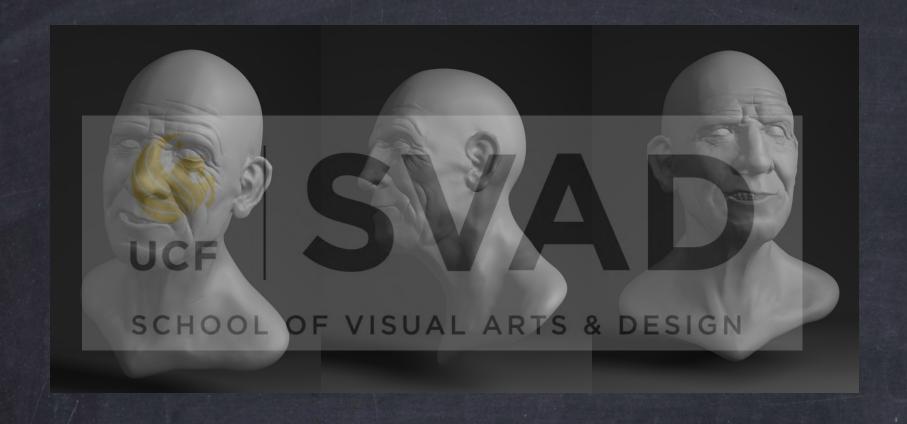














## Time-based Media

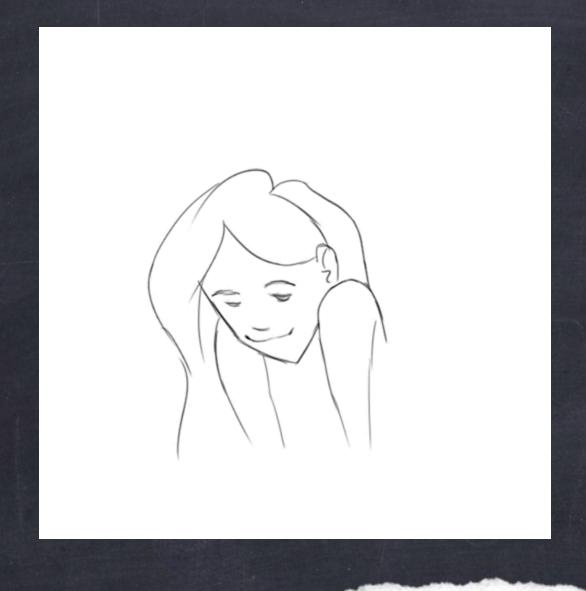




#### Time-based Media

- 1+ piece [1 piece up to 1m]
- •Effective Storytelling
- Understands timing, pacing, continuity
- Composition (staging) for moving image
- •Attention to camera angles, sound, or editing is favorable
- •Audio, Visual, or both.















#### Student Work:

- Ukelayla (Class of 2018)
- Night Light (Class of 2018)



### Questions?





### Tours of Facilities 3rd floor



