

Ellen Ault, MFA

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ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL CAREER OBJECTIVE

To teach the principles of animation to budding animators and to flourish in free motion quilting and awesome plush design.

EDUCATION

Master of Fine Arts in Special Effects Computer Animation (2005)

Digital Media Arts College, Boca Raton, FL

MFA Valedictorian

Thesis: Delusions of Reality

Advisor: Andres del Valle

Bachelor of Science in Media Arts and Animation (2004)

The Art Institute of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

BS Graduate with Honors

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The Art Institute of Tampa, Tampa, FL

Media Arts and Animation Department:

- Full Time Faculty 2007 to 2015
- Adjunct Faculty July 2015 - present

Courses:

- Language of Animation & Film
- Character Rigging
- Texture I: Materials and Lighting, Texture II: Shading Networks
- 3D Animation, 3D Character Animation
- Portfolio I, Portfolio II, and Portfolio Presentation
- 2D Animation, Animation Principles
- Animation Studio, 2D Animation Studio
- Game Design and Gameplay
- Intro to Game Development

Participate in student quarterly portfolio reviews, department meetings, and student advisement.

Member of curriculum committee Winter 2013 – Fall 2014.

Member of Faculty Development committee Winter 2008 – Fall 2012.

Full Time Instructor of the Quarter for Fall 2008.

Rocky Mountain College of Art & Design – Online Division, Denver, CO
Animation Department – Adjunct Instructor, 2016 – present

- Tools & Techniques of Contemporary Animation

The Art Institute of Pittsburgh – Online Division, Pittsburgh, PA
Media Arts and Animation Department - Adjunct Instructor, 2007 to 2013
Courses:

- History of Animation/Survey of Animation
- Drawings and Anatomies
- Storyboard Rendering for Animation
- Life Drawing for Animation
- Drawing
- 2D Animation
- Advanced 3D Modeling
- Principles of Animation

Digital Media Arts College, Boca Raton, FL
Graduate Department, Special Effects Animation - Adjunct Professor, 2005 to 2007

Courses:

- Prerequisite Introduction to 3D Animation
- Prerequisite Introduction to 3D Modeling
- Prerequisite Digital Texturing and Painting (developed)
- Character Animation
- Motion Capture
- History of Animation
- Graduate Theory and Criticism (renovated)
- Design Concepts and Procedures
- Thesis Research (graphic design), Thesis II (graphic design)
- Exhibition Design (renovated)
- Design Management

Member of thesis committee, assisted in scheduling of students, and in charge of the motion capture area.

KidzArt, Lake Worth, FL

Instructor, January 2006 – May 2006

Teach drawing classes to preschool, elementary, and middle school students. Concepts concentrated in form, layout, foreground / background separation, and shape recognition.

Tampa Modern Quilt Guild

President 2014 – Current

Secretary 2013-2014

Grew guild membership, introduced collaborative activities, and coordinate guild's first quilt show to debut at Lakeland Sewing Expo, Lakeland Florida in early 2016.

PUBLICATIONS

Ault, Ellen. "Rainbowa the Party Piñata" *STUFFED* Feb 2016. 131. Print.

Ault, Ellen. "Jose the Enchanted Tiki Bird." *STUFFED* Autumn 2015: 138. Print.

Fresh Ideas! 2014 Modern Quilts Unlimited Designer Block Challenge. *Modern Quilts Unlimited*. Spring 2015. Print.

Cherrywood Fabrics. *Wicked*. "Monkey Wrench". Feb. 2015: 14. Print

Ault, Ellen. "Monster Before a Mirror." *STUFFED* Feb. 2013: 14-15. Print.

EXHIBITIONS

Bouquet of Hedgehogs. Original Sewing & Quilt Expo, Lakeland, FL. March 2016.

Wonky Log Cabins. Original Sewing & Quilt Expo, Lakeland, FL. March 2016.

Jack the Seam Ripper. AQS Des Moines Quilt Week, Des Moines, IO. October 2015.

Simply Swooning. AQS Des Moines Quilt Week, Des Moines, IO. October 2015.

Cyber Quilt. The Day of The Doctor. John F. Germany Public Library, Tampa, FL. June 2015.

Oswald the Lucky Rabbit. What Those Who Teach Can Do. Art Institute of Tampa Gallery, Tampa, FL. April 2015.

Cyber Quilt. MassDrop Booth Showcase. QuiltCon, Austin, TX. February 2015.

Monkey Wrench. Wicked Special Exhibit, The Embroiderer's Guild of America Traveling Exhibit, Morris, MN. February 2015

Pinkie Pie Place. Quilt Beach* 2015. Vero Beach, FL. January 2015.

Monkey Wrench. Wicked Special Exhibit, Road to California, Ontario, CA. January 2015.

Monkey Wrench. Wicked Special Traveling Exhibit: Lancaster, PA. Paducah, KY. Syracuse, NY. Grand Rapids, MI. Chattanooga, TN. Des Moines, IO. Traveling Year of 2015.

See the Light. Bad Ass Quilters, AQS Chattanooga Quilt Week, Chattanooga, TN. September 2014.

Monkey Wrench. Wicked Exhibit, The 'Q' Gallery, Brainerd, MN. August 2014.

See the Light. AQS Des Moines Quilt Week, DesMoines, IO. October 2013.

Ten and Eleven. Collaborate, The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL. July 2013. (*Collaboration of 'Ten' with artist Jason Ault.*)

Jose the Enchanted Tiki Bird. Rock-a-hula Luau, The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL June 2013.

Oh No, it's raining! Hodge Podge, The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL. April 2013.

Willa Whichcraft. The Munny Show. Daddy Cool Records, St. Petersburg, FL. September 2012.

Animation Aulterations. Study Hall, The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL. August 2012. (*Duo show of twenty pieces with artist Jason Ault.*)

Jittery Little Thing. I'd Rather Kiss a Wookie. The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL. May 2012.

Adventure is Out There. Scratch the Surface. Blue Lucy, St. Petersburg, FL. April 2012.

Animal. Faces of Deck. The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL. November 2011.

Monster Before a Mirror. Time Warp. The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL. August 2011.

Roxy Rabbit. The Bunny Show. Eve-N-Odd Gallery, St. Petersburg, FL. April 2011.

Together Again. Hip to be Square. The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL. April 2011.

The Great Gonzo. Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon. The Bricks, Ybor, Tampa FL. September 2010.

Making Strides. Cause an Effect. Tampa Museum of Art, Art After Dark Series. Tampa, FL April 2010

Sewy Stitch. Munny: Change is Everything. Skatepark of Tampa, Tampa, FL February 2010.

Penguin, Reindeer, Tree. Winter Wonderland. Tampa Artist Emporium, Tampa, FL December 2009. Continuation of work presented until October 2010.

Gotcha Family. Mortal Plush: I am Not Your Toy. Art Whino Gallery, D.C. July 2009.

Student Body. Faculty Show. Art Institute of Tampa Gallery, Tampa, FL. July 2009.

Stitched Palm. Faculty Show. Art Institute of Tampa Gallery, Tampa, FL. July 2008.

AWARDS

2015 Finalist, Fresh Ideas! 2014 Modern Quilts Unlimited Designer Block Challenge, Modern Quilts Unlimited.

2010 Silver Medal, Made Up Category, Schmancy Plush You Olympics

2010 Skatepark of Tampa Top Choice, Munny Change is Everything

2008 Fall Full Time Instructor of the Quarter

FREELANCE EXPERIENCE

Abacus Studio, Lake Worth Fl. August 2006 –September 2006

Freelance Animator

Animate 3D characters, log video footage, edit scripts, and organize work files.

Elephant Tales, Longwood, FL. September 2005

Freelance Designer

Designed logo and business cards.

Definitive Business Solutions, Longwood, Fl May 2005

Freelance Designer

Designed logo, letterhead, and business cards.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

APQS Long Arm Certification Sponsored by Fons and Porter, November 2015 – March 2016

Monster Character Painting, October 2011

How to Leave Your Students Begging for More! September 2008

Essentials of Leadership, August 2008

Critical Thinking, April 2008

The Art of Teaching at Ai, November 2007

EDMC Educational Leadership Courses:

Essentials of Leadership, August 2008

Communication and Listening, August 2009

Making Effective Decisions, September 2009