

University of the Incarnate Word School of Media & Design 3D Animation & Game Design

Art Test | Project Brief

Description

This summative assessment will evaluate your ability to apply all techniques and knowledge acquired throughout the semester. Your task is to create a production-ready, real-time 3D asset for games. You may select any 2D concept art or real-world object to base your prop on. The asset can be hard-surface or organic and follow any style (e.g., hand-painted, PBR, stylized PBR). This project requires a comprehensive understanding of the full 3D asset pipeline and your ability to deliver a polished, high-quality result.

Parameters:

- **Choice of Asset:** Students may select their inspiration from 2d Concept Art or Real-world objects.
- **Software:** Any combination of Maya, ZBrush, Substance Painter, Marmoset Toolbag, Unreal Engine, and other relevant tools.
- **Techniques:** Apply techniques such as clean high poly modeling or sculpting, clean bakes, efficient UV layouts, PBR texturing, optimized low-poly models, etc.
- **Style Flexibility:** Choose from any artistic style (hand-painted, realistic PBR, stylized PBR, etc.).

Due Date: December 12th at 12:00am (Midnight)

Grading Checklist Earned	Possible
Concept and Execution	20
Clear and thoughtful selection of the concept or object. Overall fidelity and quality of execution.	
Modeling	20
High-poly and low-poly modeling demonstrates clean topology, appropriate edge flow, and optimization.	
UV's and Baking	20
UV layouts are efficient, clean, and appropriately scaled. Bakes are free of artifacts.	
Texturing	20
Textures enhance the model's visual appeal and align with the chosen style.	
Presentation and Rendering	20
Final renders showcase the asset effectively with polished lighting, shaders, and composition.	
Total Points Earned	/100