

# JADEN N. MEDINA

## 3D ANIMATOR

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LAIKA Studios  
6750 NE Bennett Street  
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Dear LAIKA Studios,

I am writing to express my enthusiasm for the Stop Motion Animation Intern position at your studio. LAIKA's mission in promoting experiences that inspire dreamers to overcome obstacles, to become leaders and take initiative in supporting the less fortunate through a noble cause, is something that I am looking for. Transporting others into a versatile community of art and cinema, and defining the beauty of animation to push it to its great potential.

LAIKA Animation, from Academy Award winning films like *Kubo and The Two Strings*, *Paranorman*, *Chicken Run* and *Coraline*, have inspired me to think like a storyteller. Pursuant to this objective, I have enclosed a link to my demo reel and my example work in my resume, which outlines some of my qualifications as an animation senior student. For example, a school assignment that excited me junior year, was when my professor had assigned the class a dialogue animation for our demo reel project. Ultimately, I decided to use a gargoyle and choose a villain monologue from Marvel Netflix, *Daredevil*. I spent countless hours working on it from shooting references to understanding Maya software, polishing it to the best of my ability and looking over it several times. Once I presented it, a feeling of excitement overwhelmed me when my teacher and peers viewed it. Working on this dark monarch portrayal was a blast and most of all, it made me feel like a real animator.

I have been an avid viewer of cartoons since I was a child and love working in teams. My passion for creativity, motivation to work, commitment to excellence, willingness to learn, and discipline towards work performed are attributes that align with the company's core values. My resolute desire to take the initiative and offer high-quality work will prove beneficial to your organization. As I enjoy motivating players into becoming great achievers through games and animation and assisting the less fortunate in new ways to give back, I would be a great fit for your animation program.

Overall, animation and games have allowed me to invest in a world of possibilities and has helped turn me into the person I am today. It would be an amazing opportunity to join the LAIKA team and help create a world where being unique is being Awesome. Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,  
Jaden Medina

## GENERAL SUMMARY

The Stop Motion Animation Intern will gain valuable hands-on production experience and training by working in collaboration with our skilled professionals. Interns are supported and challenged as they benefit from renowned stop motion animation expertise. Specifically, the Stop Motion Animation Intern will work with other Stop Motion Animators to make puppets come to life, define personality and emotion, and create visually stunning animation.

## JOB FUNCTIONS

- Work on test stages and create shots featuring various types of animated performances.
- Perform repetitive, finely detailed animation tasks with precision for extended periods of time.
- Assist in general organization and upkeep of the work areas.

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Currently enrolled as a Junior or Senior in college, or graduated within the last 12 months, with a focus in Animation or other relevant area of study.
- Strong creative background with a good artistic eye and sensibilities.
- Good problem-solving skills.
- Ability to take direction and embrace change.
- Detail-oriented with excellent communication skills, and work ethic.
- Able to effectively prioritize tasks and meet deadlines.
- Able to work both collaboratively and independently.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORK ENVIRONMENT

The physical demands and work environment characteristics described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- Physical demands: While performing the duties of this job, the employee is required to walk; stand; sit; use hands to operate standard office equipment; reach with hands and arms; balance; stoop; talk or hear both in person and by telephone. The employee must lift and/or move up to 15 pounds. Vision abilities include close vision, distance vision, and the ability to adjust focus.
- Work environment: While performing the duties of this job, the employee works under typical office conditions and is exposed to variable indoor temperatures. The noise level is usually quiet or moderate.

## LOCATION

On-Site in Hillsboro, OR

## SALARY

\$20.00/hour set rate, non-negotiable

## DISCLAIMER

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people assigned to this classification. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required of personnel so classified.