



# Yvonne Grzenkowicz

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Founder and Executive Director for Animation Nights New York (ANNY). NY Correspondent for Animation for Adults. NYC based animator / interactive designer / compositor with experience in film, advertising and digital publishing, extensive training in character animation and a background in fine art.

Organizations: VES, NYWIFT, ifp, Women in Animation, Animation Mentor Alumni, Freelancer's Union, ASIFA East

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### eyesnare inc

Feb 2013 ~ present

*Director / Animator*

- 2D / 3D animation / Interactive Design / Compositing / Editing

*Recent Projects:*

*“THRU The Hereafter Remains Unknown” Editor (Premiere Pro)*

*“Archaeology” Music Video for Red Pants Music (Danny Weinkauf of*

*They Might Be Giants) (Story, Asset Creation, Animation, Compositing, and Render)*

### Animation Nights New York (ANNY)

Sept 2015 ~ present

*Founder / Executive Director / Curator*

Animation Nights New York (ANNY) | ANNY Best of Fest

Monthly curated animation screening event and annual animation symposium held in the Seaport District of NYC. <http://www.animationnights.nyc>

### Animation for Adults

Mar 2015 ~ present

*NY Correspondent (Podcast & Blog)*

- Covering events and interviews on animation in all it's forms in the Greater New York City Area  
<http://www.animationforadults.com>

### Guest Lecturer

*School of Visual Arts, NYC (Feb 2017)*

- *Guest lecturer for A World of Animation, Spring 2017.*

### Visiting Artist / Lecturer

*SUNY Fredonia (Nov 2016)*

- *Spoke to student body (200 students) at SUNY Fredonia lecture hall*
- *Spoke to business leaders at Technology Incubator Art & Business Luncheon*

### The Animation Project

Apr 2015 ~ Sept 2016

*Animator/ Instructor / Co-leader*

- The Animation Project nurtures the social, emotional and cognitive growth of at-risk teenagers, using digital art technology as a therapeutic medium and a workforce development tool.  
*Project: Teaching box modeling and animation techniques to at-risk youth and young adults*

### Out to See Festival

Dec 2015 ~ Apr 2016

*Co Producer*

- Co Producer for the South Street Seaport District Third Annual Out to See Festival (Jan-Apr)  
Sponsored by the Howard Hughes Corporation.



## **/WILDCHILD/ + bonch**

*Freelance Animator*

**Mar 2015 ~ present**

- After Effects Animation / Motion Graphics

## **DreamWorksTV**

*Animator (remote)*

**Mar 2014 ~ Dec 2014**

- Animation, asset build, compositing for the animated children's comedy series "Public Pool" created by David Fremont and Jimbo Matison  
*Project: "Public Pool"*

## **811Media**

*Freelance Motion Graphics (remote)*

**Jun 2014 ~ Jan 2015**

- After Effects / Premiere Pro Motion Graphics for various fashion, beauty and lifestyle video series.  
*Current Project: "WetPaint"*

## **Robots and Cupcakes**

*Freelance Animator (remote)*

**Mar 2014 ~ Jun 2014**

- Animation for iOS apps and digital publications

## **Magnet Media**

*Freelance Lead Animator / Compositor (remote)*

**June 2013 ~ July 2013**

- After Effects/Illustrator rig build, scene design, asset build, and character animation  
*Project: Socialcast by vmware DWTW campaign Viral Video*

## **Edit One**

*Freelance 3d Animator*

**Apr 2013 ~ June 2013**

- 3d animation / motion capture integration utilizing Maya

## **Dirt Empire**

*Freelance Animator*

**Apr 2013 ~ May 2013**

- Hand drawn digital animation utilizing Flash  
*Project: Portugal. The Man 2013 Evil Friends Tour (Live Visuals)*

## **Hifi3D**

*Freelance 3d Animator*

**Mar 2013 ~ Mar 2013**

- 3d creature animation utilizing Maya  
*Project: "The Starving Games" Live Action Feature Film*

## **thelab**

*Freelance 3d Animator*

**Feb 2013 ~ Feb 2013**

- 3d animation utilizing Maya  
*Project: LEGO*

## **Bajibot Media**

*Freelance 3d Lead Animator*

**Sept 2012 ~ Oct 2012**

- 3d animation for commercial spot utilizing 3d Studio Max  
*Project: YMCA Commercial Broadcast Spot with TBWA Chiat Day*

## **Napoleon Group**

*Freelance 3d Animator*

**June 2012 ~ Dec 2013**

- 3D animation for various commercial spots (previz) utilizing Maya



<p><b>Callaway Digital Arts</b>  <i>Animator</i>          Animation, Rig Development, Prototype Development, and Prototype Testing for children's digital publishing (ipad/iphone/itouch devices).  <i>Project: Sesame Street's <b>The Great Cookie Thief</b></i></p>	<p><b>Feb 2012 ~ June 2012</b></p>
<p><b>321 Launch</b>  <i>Freelance 3d Animator</i>          ○ 3D animation / mocap cleanup commercial spots (previz) utilizing Maya and Motion B</p>	<p><b>Dec 2011 ~ Sept 2012</b></p>
<p><b>WebMD</b>  <i>Freelance Interactive Designer</i>          ○ Development, design, animation, and presentation of interactive flash iDetails / flash banners</p>	<p><b>Oct 2006 ~ Mar 2011</b></p>
<p><b>Medsite</b>  <i>Freelance Interactive Designer</i>          ○ Design, animation, and presentation of interactive flash iDetails / flash banners</p>	<p><b>Feb 2006 ~ Oct 2006</b></p>
<p><b>Foote Cone &amp; Belding</b>  <i>Freelance 3D Product Modeling</i>          ○ Product modeling and rendering in Maya</p>	<p><b>2005 ~ 2006</b></p>

**EDUCATION**

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- **Animation Mentor Animals & Creatures Master Class Program** 2011  
*Certificate of Completion*  
*Mentored by:*  

Scott Carroll	Blue Sky Studios
Arslan Elver	Framestore
  
- **Animation Mentor** 2010  
*Alumni Refresher Courses*  
*Mentored by:*  

Wayne Gilbert	Vanarts
Nick Bruno	Blue Sky Studios
  
- **Bill Plympton Animation School**  
*2D Short Film* 2009
  
- **Animation Mentor** 2009  
*Diploma in Advanced Character Animation Studies*  
*Mentored by:*  

Paul Allen	Terminal Reality
Dimos Vrysellas	Reel FX
Scott Carroll	Blue Sky Studios
Greg Kyle	Laika, Inc.
Brett Schulz	Pixar Animation Studios
Mike Gasaway	Mike Gasaway Productions
James Chiang	Freelance Animation Consultant



## **AWARDS / HONORS**

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EIFF Animation Lab 2015

Selected for the EIFF Animation Lab in Edinburgh, Scotland

“Archaeology” Music Video Festival Awards & Honors

Canada International Film Festival Rising Star Award 2015

New York City International Film Festival Best USA Animated Short 2015

Sesame Street’s “The Great Cookie Thief” digital publication for iOS

#1 paid education app for iPad

iTunes Store

July 2012

Top 10 Kids' App Winner

Apps4Kids.net

July 2012

“Taste” Short Film Festival Awards & Honors

Official Selection Spike & Mikes Festival of Animation 2011

Canada International Film Festival Royal Reel Award 2011

6<sup>th</sup> Annual Macon Film Festival Award for Second Place in Animation 2011

NYC WNET/Thirteen’s Reel 13 Shorts Winner and Encore Presentation Screening 2010

Santa Fe Reporter 3-Minute Film Festival Corazon Prize Winner 2010

Atlanta Underground Film Festival Shortsfest “Best *Short Short*” Winner 2010

Animazing Spotlight 2<sup>nd</sup> Animated Shorts Festival “Best Achievement in Humor” Nomination 2010

## **SKILLS**

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Character Animation, Autodesk Maya, 3D Studio Max, Cinema 4D, Motion Builder, Digital Publishing, iOS apps, Mocap, Website Design/Development, HTML5/CSS/ Adobe Dreamweaver, Flash/AS2/AS3, Javascript/jQuery, Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects, Premiere Pro, Toon Boom Harmony, Pixologic Zbrush, Painting and Drawing