



# ERIK ZIMMERMAN

**GRAPHIC DESIGNER / ANIMATOR / SCULPTOR**

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## ACHIEVEMENTS

- 20 years of experience as a digital graphic artist, animator, and traditional sculptor.
- Dedication to blending imaginative thinking with passionate ideas to create custom works that will educate the viewer and spark their curiosity.
- Worked in the fast-paced legal industry for the last 14 years, honing my skills and developing a multifaceted professional repertoire of practice.

## SKILLS

- Adobe Creative Suite: Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects
- Autodesk 3D Studio Max
- Microsoft Office: PowerPoint, Word, Excel
- Oversized Printing and Board Production
- Sculpting Mediums: Clay, Wood, Metal, Plastic, Pumpkins
- Illustration Mediums: Graphite, Charcoal, Pastel, Acrylic, Watercolor

## EMPLOYMENT

### SENIOR GRAPHIC DESIGNER AND COMPUTER ANIMATOR

***Trial Consulting Services • 2007 – Present***

Transform complex ideas and procedures into user-friendly visual aids, using custom digital graphics and animations, for use in trials, mediations, and marketing material.

*Responsibilities Include:*

- Meet directly with clients and experts to discuss their cases. Listen to the clients' needs and offer professional insight to conceptualization of their ideas.
- Work with the clients through every step of the process to ensure the final designs are attractive and accurate.
- Control over all aspects of a project from start to completion, ensuring each endeavor meets their strict deadlines.
- Creation of the digital graphics and animations, and work with the clients on any revisions if needed.
- Lead the production team on transforming the digital graphics into physical mediums, including oversized boards, banners, and displays.

### FREELANCE • 2005 – 2007

Design flyers and advertisements for the Ybor House of Artists and the Ybor City State Museum's art exhibits. Produce custom artworks for public exhibitions and commissioned pieces for private collectors.

### COMPUTER ANIMATOR • 2002 – 2003

***Tri-Dimensional Studios***

Successful completion of a six-month internship at a computer animation studio.

- Project: Animated a commercial for the company.
- Worked with the owner on a self-promoted 30 second commercial. Duties included modeling, animating, and lighting characters and objects in the scene.



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## EDUCATION

### **ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN FINE ART**

*Hillsborough Community  
College • 2005*

High Honors

National Honors Society

### **ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER ANIMATION**

*International Academy of Design  
and Technology • 2002*

Cum Laude

## EXHIBITIONS

### **ART AGAINST FEAR • 2007**

*Oliva Cigar Factory, Tampa, FL*

Group exhibit with the Ybor Cigar Theater

### **Art After Dark • 2007**

*Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL*

“Hopelessly Devoted” Exhibit

### **Revolution and Renewal • 2006**

*Ybor City State Museum, Tampa, FL*

Juried Exhibition

### **Information for Smokers • 2006**

*Oliva Cigar Factory, Tampa, FL*

Group exhibit with the Ybor House of Artists

### **The Red Scare • 2006**

*Ybor City, Tampa, FL*

Group exhibit with the Ybor House of Artists

### **A Broken Brew • 2005**

*Transitions Art Gallery, Tampa, FL*

Group exhibit with the Ybor House of Artists

### **2005 HCC Juried Exhibition • 2005**

*Hillsborough Community College, Tampa, FL*

Juried Exhibition

Awards: Honorable Mention

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