



ABOVE Virginia Gagnon, *City of Life in Motion*

MICA's Animation Department teaches not only the art of animation but also creative and flexible thinking - helping students respond to the ways that technology and science transform the potential of the medium. Students are encouraged to develop a personal voice, take creative risks, thrive through collaboration and become innovators in the field.

**BFA CHAIR**

Steve Meneely

**STUDENTS**

117 UG students

## SOFTWARE

Adobe Suite (Photoshop, After Effects, Premiere, Audition, Animate), Maya, TVPaint, ToonBoom, and DragonFrame

## DESIGN SKILLS

2D/3D animation, stop-motion, storyboarding, AR/VR, and digital fabrication

## ELECTIVES & KEY CLASSES

3D Computer Animation, Stop Motion Animation, Sound Design for Animators, Animated Documentary, Virtual Reality for Artists, Storyboarding for Animation, 2D Character Animation, 3D Character Rigging, Advanced Digital Tools, Astro-Animation, Puppets and Sets, Animation in Unique Spaces, and Virtual to Real: Rapid Prototyping

## TYPICAL STUDIO MINORS

Illustration, Interactive Arts, Film & Video, and Graphic Design

## INDUSTRY COLLABORATION

Outside partners include scientists at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, working with an Astro-Animation class to translate astrophysics concepts into animation.

## TYPICAL & NON TYPICAL CAREER PATHS

TV/Film (Pre- and Post-Production), Stop Motion, AR, VR, Emerging Tech, Freelance Animation, Healthcare, Advertising, Gaming, Motion

## RECENT ALUMNI

A digital production designer at **PBS KIDS**; a visual designer at **Yahoo**; Animators for **Industrial Light and Magic**, **Firaxis Games**, and **The Discovery Channel**; a background, CG, and prop artist for **DreamWorks Animation**'s TV series **Voltron**; a storyboard artist at **Walt Disney Animation**; a junior animator on a daytime Emmy-winning team at **Nickelodeon**; and a 3D animator and team leader at the nonprofit **Vancouver ACM SIGGRAPH**. They have also shown films at the Maryland, Phoenix, and Seattle film festivals.

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