

# Derek Bolz

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## EXPERIENCE

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- Steel Wool Studios** June 2024 - Sep 2024  
Artistic Intern Remote
- Provided 2D assets related to game development.
  - Responsible for conceptualizing and illustrating social media art.
  - Communicated with art directors to apply feedback on various assignments.
- Universal LLC** Feb 2024 - Present  
Rigging Grip New York, NY
- Responsible for setting up scenes for Law & Order (2022) S23 before the filming crew arrives.
- RPG TEAM X-TREME** Jan 2023 - Aug 2023  
Director Remote
- Wrote, character designed, storyboarded, voice acted, and animated the entirety of the short animated film.
    - Received 'Best in Show' at the SVA undergraduate film festival
- Stretch Films Inc.** Aug 2022 - Sept 2023  
Animation Assistant New York, NY
- Rough animation, cleanup, color, and FX for Stretch Film's 'HOWL if You Love Me'.
- Legend of Pipi** Oct 2021 - Jan 2022  
Animator Remote
- Worked as a rough animator on the student academy award nominee 'Legend of Pipi' film which currently hosts over 7 million views on Youtube.

## SOFTWARE EXPERTISE

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### Advanced:

Photoshop, Toon Boom Harmony, Adobe Animate, After Effects, Premiere, Audacity, Audition, Storyboard Pro

### Intermediate:

Clip Studio Paint, TV Paint, Autodesk Maya, Aesprite

## AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

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- SVA Undies Best in Show - "RPG TEAM X-TREME" Oct 2023
- SVA Undies Best Story - "Boxbot Delivery" Oct 2022

## PROJECTS

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- Flash Bash** May 2022  
Artist/Exhibitor Boston, Massachusetts
- Helped create promotional material for the FlashBash game browser inspired art exhibition
- Club Penguin Zine** Jan 2022  
Organizer Remote
- Zine organizer - Raised over \$3000 for the Clean Air Task Force climate initiative.

## EDUCATION

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**Bachelor of Fine Arts in 2D Animation**  
School of Visual Arts, NY - 2025