**Madisen Meleski**

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**Education**

Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

**Bachelor of Fine Arts, Communication Arts**  Received December 2023

Cumulative GPA 3.795/4.0; Dean’s List: Fall & Spring 2020-2023

**Relevant Experience**

**Arts & Crafts/Jewelry Assistant/Camp Counselor** June 2024-August 2024

*Camp Danbee, Peru, MA*

* Taught classes of 10-20 students aged 7-16
	+ Gave drawing lessons
* Worked with various mediums
	+ Paint, paint markers, puffy paint, traditional drawing tools, lanyard, beads
* Lived in a cabin and took care of 11 children aged 6-8
	+ Assisted them with activities, kept them safe, put them to bed and woke them up,, fed them breakfast, lunch, and dinner each day
	+ Unpacked and packed up all their belongings, clothes, and bedding at the beginning and end of summer

**2D Animation/Graphic Design Intern**  August 2023-present

*Peaches & Cream, Philadelphia, PA (Remote)*

* Design characters for the company’s launch
* Edit and improve the quality of their products and characters using Photoshop
* Animate the characters I created for the company and pre existing characters

 **2D Animation Intern** August-December 2023

*Necessary Behavior, Los Angeles, CA (Remote)*

* Created animations and storyboards featuring the company’s mascot character
* Workshop Team Leader; created workshops such as a company book club and presentations to be presented to the company on social justice and equality in the workplace

**Character Design Intern** May-August 2023

*The Human Survival Project (Remote)*

* Designed characters for the company
* Meeting organizer; arranged meeting times for the animation team using Microsoft Teams and Zoom

**2D Animation Intern** May-August 2022

*Ferry Godmother Inc*

* Created 2D animations that promoted the company’s products and internship program and were featured on the company’s social media platforms
* Designed characters, storyboards, and concept art for the company
* Provided voiceover for my animations

**Additional Experience**

**Festival Jury Intern** January 2024-March 2024

*Student World Impact Film Festival (SWIFF)*

**Photographer and Greeter**

*Cherry Hill Programs, Richmond VA*  December 2023

* Took photos of families with Santa Claus/Easter Bunny
* Talked to families and informed them of the photography process and prices, organized lines and crowds

**Summer Camp Counselor**

*Kids in Discovery Preschool, Richmond VA*  Summers 2015-2018

* Worked with children aged 3-9; taught them songs and dances
* Helped children with art crafts

**VCU Animation Club Member**

*Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond VA*  2020-2023

**Awards and Achievements**

Lift Off Global Network Sessions and First-Time Filmmaker Sessions 2023 Official Selection

Student World Impact Film Festival Honorable Mention

**Skills**

*Social Media & Platforms:* Instagram, Facebook, Twitter/X, Pinterest, Snapchat, Tik Tok

*Computer*: Mac & PC; proficient in Adobe Creative Suite and Microsoft Office; Maya and Pencil 2D