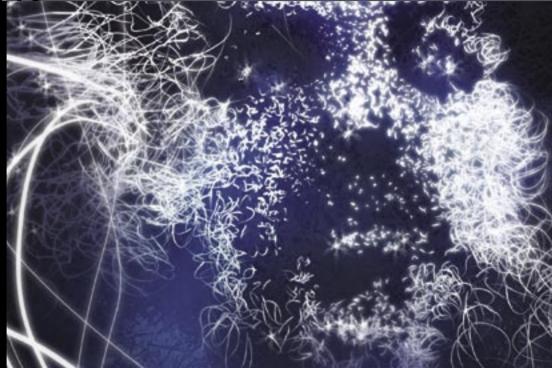
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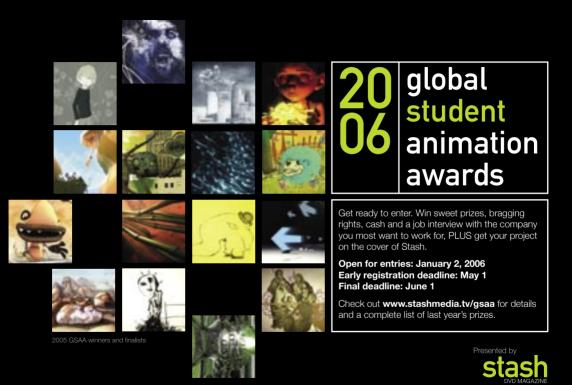
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Last March Stash put out a call for entries to 650 schools announcing the launch of the Global Student Animation Awards. The goal was to connect the world's most talented animation, VFX and motion design students with the studios they most want to work for.

The call was answered by hundreds of students on five continents. 15 industry judges selected the entries they believed to demonstrate exceptional levels of innovative thinking, technical assurance, viewer engagement and creative leadership. Finalists and winners were chosen in animation, VFX and motion design categories with the highest scoring film proclaimed the Best of 2005.

The judging was insanely close with finalists often separated by only a few points; a tie in the animation category squeezed six films into the finals. But the judges were very clear in their choice for the Best of 2005. Beating out very strong competition by a substantial margin was "Förstung – Punk Motherfucker", a gritty nightmare in the guise of a music video, created by German graphic design graduate Jan Mathias Steinforth.

You will find all three GSAA category winners tucked into the main program of Stash. The other 13 finalists are included in the GSAA Finalist Showcase accessible from the main menu of the DVD.

Congratulations to all the 2005 entrants on your exceptional work and many thanks to the GSAA judges for helping us launch some brilliant new careers.

Stephen Price New York September 2005 sp@stashmedia.tv stash 13.01

CARLTON DRAUGHT "BIG AD" TVC :60

#### Agency: GEORGE PATTERSON PARTNERS

Director: PAUL MIDDLEDITCH

Production: PLAZA FILMS

VFX: ANIMAL LOGIC www.animallogic.com

Sydney's Animal Logic creates hordes of 3D extras, wraps them in flowing robes and sends them rampaging across the New Zealand countryside in a stampede to sell some beer. Behavioral controls and performance parameters within Massive crowd simulation software allowed the digital humans to respond to their environment and to the actions of those surrounding them.

Check the Behind the Scenes feature on the DVD for more on this project.



#### For George Patterson Partners

CD: James McGrath Creatives: Grant Rutherford, Ant Keogh Producer: Pip Heming

For Plaza Films EP: Peter Masterton

#### For Animal Logic

VFX super: Andrew Jackson Lead compositor: Angus Wilson VFX producer: Caroline Renshaw

Music: Cezary Skabiszewski

**Toolkit** Massive, Inferno, Maya, Combustion

COCA-COLA "WOW BE YOURSELF" TVC :30

#### Agency: THE CIMARRON GROUP

Directors: THE BROTHERS STRAUSE

Production: TIGHT

Production/animation/VFX: HY\*DRAU\*LX

www.hydraulx.com

The Brothers Strause (Colin and Greg) and their Santa Monicabased effects house Hy\*draul\*x take a poke at misogynistic slime balls everywhere with this unlikely combination of World of Warhammer RPG characters, Taiwanese girl group S.H.E. and the planet's biggest soft drink brand. The studio designed and built the girl's 3D doppelgangers in concert with Blizzard Entertainment who also supplied some digital assets for the WOW characters and backgrounds. Created over a fourmonth schedule for the Chinese market, the spot foregoes motion capture in favor of hand animation for the characters





CD: Beresford Mitchell AD: Fanae Aaron Producer: Matthew Bretz Editor: Adam Lisagor

For Tight EP: Jonathan Ker Producer: Jeremy Barrett

#### For Hy\*drau\*lx

VFX directors: The Brothers Strause VFX super: Chris Watts Producer: Tony Meagher

Toolkit Maya, Inferno



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DAIRY CREST "CITYSIDE" TVC :30

Agency: GREY ADVERTISING

Director: DOM & NIC

Production: OUTSIDER FILMS

Animation/VFX: FRAMESTORE CFC

www.framestore-cfc.com

Following successful collaborations on "Hector's Life" for Renault (Stash 07) and "Believe" for the Chemical Brothers (Stash 09), UK directing duo Dom & Nic re-team with CG animal tamers Framestore CFC to create a kitchen full of furry fauna. The two-day shoot was followed with 12 weeks of animation and post by the team of 15 who often worked at a sub-frame level to ensure the motion blur in the final renders felt life-like.



For Grey Advertising CDs: Adam Chiappie, Matt Saunby Producer: Zoe Barlow

For Outsider Films Producer: John Madsen

For Framestore CFC VFX supers: Mike McGee, Jake Mengers Inferno: Ben Cronin

**Toolkit** Maya, Inferno

#### BOOTS "HUMAN PLANT", "TRANSLUCENT BABY" TVCs :30 x 2

#### Agency: MOTHER

Director: LYNN FOX

Production: BLINK

#### Animation/post: THE MILL

www.the-mill.com

London-based directing team Lynnfox broke out of the digital realm for at least part of the "Human Plant" spot when they commissioned silicon models and puppeteers to create the early stages of the budding plant. Those shots were combined in Flame at The Mill to make the flower-towoman transition.

To show the fragility of a baby's skin in "Translucent Baby", The Mill's 3D team started with a full CG toddler camera-tracked and rotoscoped it to the live-action child. The glowing skin color was developed from lighting tests on a prosthetic "jelly baby", which, when applied to the CG model and lit from behind, resulted in a translucent effect.

For Mother Producer: Megan Risdale

For Lynn Fox Producer: Nick Glendening

For Final Cut Editor: Suzy Davis

**Toolkit** Spirit, Flame, Maya, XSI, After Effects

#### For The Mill

Producer: Darren O'Kelly CG producer: Jo Sheppard Shoot supers: Giles Cheetham, Russell Tickner, Andrew Proctor Telecine: Paul Harrison Lead Flame: Barnsley (Human Plant)

Flame: Yourrick van Impe Flame assist: Mark Payne CG: Russell Tickner, Rob Kolbeins, Miles Pettit, Martin Gauvreau Support: Paul Wilmot, Grainne Freeman



#### HONDA CRAZY-SENSIBLE "MOUSE, JET" TVCs : 60 x 2

Agency: WIEDEN+KENNEDY, LONDO

#### Director: BOB KURTZ

#### Animation: KURTZ & FRIENDS

Veteran director Bob Kurtz. who started his career as an experimental animator for Disne the mid Sixties and counts Roge Ramiet and The Pink Panther series among his credits, recent caught the eye of the Honda tea at W+K London. They loved a short Kurtz had created in 1990 with George Carlin called It's No Bullshit and wanted him to brinc the humor and energy of that hand-drawn short to the new Honda campaign, Kurtz and his team, who also supplied the music track, animated by hand on paper then inked the drawings onto acetate cells with a wet and loose style known as a "Kurtz" line. The cells were scanned into Toonz and rendered out in 16x9 at 25 fps.



#### For Kurtz & Friends

Director/designer: Bob Kurtz Editor/post super: Ken Smith Producer: Boo Lopez Animation: Dave Spafford, Shane Zalvin, Gary Mooney, Pam Cooke Production coord: Tim Harringer Ink/paint super: Jennifer Felipe Ink/paint leads: Jackie Gaumer, Debbe Blomdahl Digital FX: Hector Martinez Color design: Gyorgyi Peluce

#### For Weiden+Kennedy

CDs: Tony Davidson, Kim Papworth Creatives: Sean Thompson, Chris Groom Producer: Julia Methold

#### Toolkit

Pencils, paper, ink, acetate cells, Toonz



#### For Motion Theory

DP: Richard Henkels EP: Javier Jimenez Producer: Eric Stoft CDs: Mathew Cullen, Grady Hall AD/sr designer: Mark Kudsi Designers/animators: Paulo de Almada, Mathew Cullen, Chris Clyne, Ron Delizo, Jesse Franklin, Greg Gunne, Chad Howitt, Christopher Janney, Linas Jodwalis, Nick Losq, Mark Kudsi, Mark Kulakoff, Mark Lai, Paul Lee, Chris Leone, Matt Motal, Vi Nguyen, Robyn Resella, Kirk Shintani, Mike Slane Pre-vis: Chris Leone Editor: Mark Hoffman Assistant editor: Brad Watanabe Post-production coordinator: James Taylor For Duotone EP: Hunter Murtaugh

#### Toolkit

Maya, After Effects, Final Cut Pro

#### REEBOK "WRAPSHEAR" TVC: 30

Agency: MCGARRY BOWEN

#### Director: MOTION THEORY

#### Production/animation/VFX: MOTION THEORY

www.motiontheory.com

It should take several trippy substances to make downtown LA look this interesting but Motion Theory manage it with a two-day shoot (one for Ivan 'Flipz' Velez on green screen, one for locations) and two months of intensive design, CG and post. Motion Theory's mutational visual poetry made such an impression on the agency they also scored a print assignment on the campaign.

#### For McGarry Bowen

EP: Katya Bankowsky ECDs: Warren Eakins, Randy Van Kleeck AD: Warren Eakins, Jesse Raker Copy: Randy Van Kleeck

#### INFINITI SUMMER EVENT 2005 "BEACH", "OVERLOOK" TVCs :30 x 2

Agency: TBWA\CHIAT\DAY

#### Director: KYLIE MATULICK, TODD MUELLER

Design/animation/VFX: PSYOP MASS MARKET www.psyop.tv

Psyop and sister VFX company Mass Market move the car dealer sales event beyond the usual parade of sheet metal with this art project for Infiniti dealers. After preparing elaborate previsualization, the companies shot the car footage from a helicopter over four days at an unused airfield and then carefully tracked the 3D environments to the edited scenes. TBWA originally asked the studios to pitch on two spots, but after seeing the treatment they expanded the project to a third spot and a larger print campaign including limited edition art posters.







#### For TBWA\Chiat\Day

CD: Jack Fund AD: Lance Ferguson Producer: Debra Wittlin

#### For Psyop

FP: Justin Booth-Clibborn Producer: Boo Wong Associate producer: Jen Glabus Live-action producer: Paul Middlemiss Designers: Kylie Matulick. Todd Mueller, Haeiin Cho Additional designer: Daniel Piwowarczvk Flame: Asuka Otake Editors: Jed Boyar, Asuka Otake TDs/3D animators: Damon Ciarelli. Gerald Ding, Gregory Ecker, Kevin Estev, Jonathan Garin, Chris Haney, Andrew Harper, Joshua Harvey, Eric Lampi, Dylan Maxwell, Naomi Nishimura, Molly Schwartz 3D Trackers: Joerg Liebold. Chris Bach, Jan Cilliers, Chris Hill 2D clean-up/rotoscope: Joe Vitale, Jaime Aquirre, Chris Halstead, Mark French, Chad Nau, Adam Van Dine Storvboard: Ben Chan

For Mass Market Lead Flame: Chris Staves

#### Toolkit

Flame, Maya, Photoshop, After Effects

#### SPRINT/BMW "THE BUILD" TVC :30

Agency: PUBLICIS HAL RINEY

#### Directors: OSKAR HOLMEDAL, HENRY MOORE SELDER (STYLEWAR)

#### Production: SMUGGLER

#### VFX: THE ORPHANAGE www.theorphanage.com

Starting with the complete CAD data set for the BMW, the 24member Orphanage team set out to dispel the client's skepticism about photo-real CG cars. VFX producer Paul Hettler recalls the reaction of the BMW factory guys in Munich when they saw the finished spot: "They said the car never looked better and, unbeknownst to them, the shots they were referring to were CG."

# Check the Behind the Scenes feature on the DVD for more on this project.

### For Publicis Hal Riney

AD: Rich North Copy: Andre Ricciardi EP: Sam Walsh

#### For Smuggler

Producer: Line Postmyr DP: Chris Soos Production designer: Steve Sumney

#### For The Orphanage

VP/FP<sup>·</sup> Paul Grimshaw VFX producer: Paul Hettler VFX super: Kevin Bafferty VFX PM: Mary Beth Worzella CG super: Shadi Almassizadeh Modelers: Stan Seo. Daniela Calafatello Rotoscope: Jessica Hsieh. Sarah Jane Javelo Matchmove: Ralph Procida. Tim Dobbert Matte Painter: Randy Gaul TDs: Mike Janov, Michael Spaw, Brian Kulig, Nathan Reidt, Dagan Potter Compositors: Jesse Russell. Jance Allen, Kirstin Bradfield Editorial super: Carl Walters Post super: Jerry Castro VFX editor: Ian McCamev VFX PA: Bethany Young

#### Toolkit

3ds Max, Brazil, After Effects







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CINGULAR "SONY S710" TVC :30

#### Agency: BBDO, ATLANTA

CD: LIMORE SHUR

#### Animation: EYEBALLNYC

www.eyeballnyc.com

A tightly choreographed :30 designed to separate Cingular from their cellular competitors by replacing standard beauty shots of cell phone hardware and blissful callers with a history lesson in the parallel evolution of phones and cameras. The two devices finally merge to form the Sony S710. Rumor has it several school boards in Kansas have banned the spot.

#### For BBDO, Atlanta

ECD: Marcus Kemp CD: Dave Stanton Producer: Jennifer Sofio

#### For Expansion Team

CD: Alex Moulton Composer: DJ Lux

#### Toolkit

3ds Max, After Effects, Final Cut, Illustrator, Photoshop



#### For EyeballNYC

CD: Limore Shur Associate CD: Julian Bevan FP: Mike Fastwood Producer: Eve Ehrich Associate producer: Greg Heffron CG director: Stuart Simms Designer/animator: Jens Mebes Lead 3D animator: Carl Mok 3D animators: Vance Miller. Stuart Simms, Steve Sullivan Lead modeler: Lee Wolland Modellers: Ricardo Vicens. Joe Park, Carl Mok, Vance Miller, Stuart Simms Lighting/rendering: Vance Miller Editor: John Lake Harvey PA: TJ Hwang









#### NIKE CANADA "PUCK DODGING" TVC :45

Agency: TAXI ADVERTISING

Director: PETER DARLEY MILLER

Production: IMPORTED ARTISTS

VFX/post: CRUSH INC. www.crushinc.com

Calgary Flames right-winger Jerome Iginla runs the mean streets as a rooftop sniper fires pucks at his head. Because the practical pucks were moving too fast to register on film without drastic shutter speed alterations, Crush tracked-in CG pucks to allow more control over their visibility. Crush, who had the project in post for seven days, also enhanced the puck impact points by shooting splintering wood, breaking glass and dust elements to comp via Inferno.

Check the Behind the Scenes feature on the DVD for more on this project.

#### For Nike Canada

Brand communications manager: Catherine Marcolin Brand communications supervisor: Karen Medina

For Taxi Advertising

Associate CD: Lance Martin Writer: Craig McIntosh Producer: Anne Marie Martignago

**For Imported Artists** 

DP: Barry Peterson EP: Marylu Jeffery Line producer: Kelly King

For Panic and Bob Editor: David Baxter

For Crush Inc. Lead Inferno/on-set super: Sean Cochrane Inferno: David Whiteson, Greg Dunlop CG: Geoff Marshall Producer: Debbie Cooke

#### Toolkit

Maya, Inferno

NIKE "MUTANT FOOT" TVC :30

Agency: PUBLICIS MOJO

Director: MARK MOLLOY

Production: EXIT FILMS

Animation/post: THE MILL

www.the-mill.com

Possibly the spookiest piece of film from a major brand this year, "Mutant Foot" takes an all-3D approach to visualize the mutation of the human foot into the Nike Free shoe. To squeeze the production into the four week schedule, the edit, animation (created by tracking footage of a gymnast's foot running on a treadmill), camera moves and particles were all produced in parallel.

#### For Publicis Mojo

CD: Christy Peacock AD: Selena McKenzie Producer: Corey Esse



#### For Exit Films

Producer: Wilf Sweetland

#### For The Mill

Production: Stefanie Boose, Stephen Venning Lead animator: Robert Kolbeins Animators: Jordi Bares, Paul Denhard, Duncan Gaman, Tom Bussell Textures: Dave Gibbons Shake: Laurent Makowski Flame: Rich Roberts, Yourick Van Impe. Edwin So

#### Toolkit

Maya, Z-Brush, Shake, Flame, Photoshop

#### MTV ARTBREAKS "LITTLE GIRL SAW MOUTH", "EDACRA" Broadcast design

#### Client: MTV NETWORKS

#### Director: DAVID LOBSER

#### Animation: DAVID LOBSER

"The promos from MTV's heyday were a big part of what drew me to animation." reveals director David Lobser, "I dipped into the night-time of my pre-adolescent MTV memories and came up with five pitches that I hoped would be bizarre and stylish enough to be worthy of a place in the pantheon." With only two weeks for production. Lobser saved time by creating his collage-based textures first, and then built the CG models based on those paintings, "This sped up the creation time so I could finish everything - modeling, texturing, lighting, rigging, animating, rendering, comping, sound effects, and music inside the deadline."





For MTV Networks Head of marketing and communications: Kelly Todd

For "Little Girl Saw Mouth" Music: Monica Lobser, The Kato Twins

For "Edacra" Voices: Nat Jones, Nicole Recchia Music: John Keseel, Ann Ocalewski

Toolkit Maya, Photoshop, After Effects stash 13.13

#### CHANNEL[V] TAIWAN Broadcast design x 3

Client: STAR TV TAIWAN

Directors: YVES HUANG, BILL CHIA

#### Production/VFX: STAR GROUP LIMITED

www.startv.com.tw

A series of brand updates to mark the growth of Channel [V] Taiwan from a music network into an integrated entertainment channel. To underscore the campaign's theme, "The World keeps Evolving", Star Group directors Yves Huang and Bill Chia put a less-than-reverent spin on three previously sacred Taiwanese landmarks: Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, The Great Buddha of Baguashan and the 5,000-yearold lighthouse of Eluanbi.

For Star Group Limited Directors: Yves Huang, Bill Chia Animator: Bounce











#### For Digital Kitchen

ECD: Paul Matthaeus CDs: Sevrin Henderson, Vince Haycock Producer: Drew Bourneuf Editor: Josh Bodnar Designers/compositers: Matt Lavoy, Noah Conopask, Ryan Garnier, Thai Tran, Scott Hudziak

## For Yessian Music

Composer: Dan Zank

**Toolkit** Avid Adrenalin HD, After Effects stash 13.14

#### OUTDOOR LIFE NETWORK "CYCLISM II" Broadcast design

Client: OUTDOOR LIFE NETWORK

Executive creative director: PAUL MATTHAEUS

#### Design/post: DIGITAL KITCHEN www.d-kitchen.com

Digital Kitchen reduce the palette to the black of defeat and the yellow of the winner's jersey to open broadcasts capturing Lance Armstrong's quest for his seventh Tour de France victory. Five cyclists were captured against areen screen with skewed. drifting cameras and merged with supplied footage of Lance through a series of assertive and graceful transitions in After Effects, Outdoor Life Network, which reaches more than 63 million homes, scored record audience numbers for their coverage of the 2005 race with total viewer gains of 34%.

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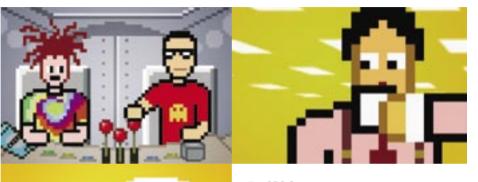
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#### CBS SPORTS "THE NFL TODAY" TVC campaign

#### Design/animaton CONCRETE PICTURES

www.concretepictures.com

Selections from the 20-spot campaign crafted by CBS Sports and Concrete Pictures to promote the new season of the network's venerable NFL pre-game show. Concrete CD Andy Hann says there were many advantages in choosing the campaign's retro-Atari graphics treatment. "[It was] low cost to create, weird enough to get attention, and clearly distinctive from Fox Sports and ESPN. The lo-tech production method also allowed us to give CBS more spots than they actually asked for." Celebrity note: VOs for the "The Blimp Dudes" were supplied by Charlie Sheen and Jon Crver of the CBS sitcom Two and a Half Men.





#### **For Concrete Pictures**

HOP: Miles Dinsmoor CD: Andy Hann Producer: Michele Pew Writers: Bob Shea, Jason Fetz, Chris Monk, Andy Hann Designer/animators: Jason Fetz, Colin James, Scott Purcell Sound design: John Avarese

Toolkit After Effects, Photoshop

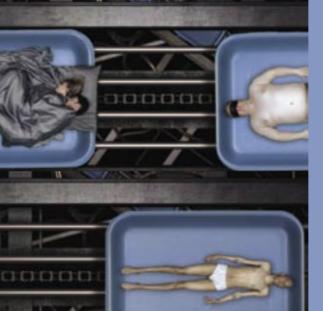
Producer: Yan Schoenefelc DP: Andrew Zuckerman

For Big Sky Effects 3D: Ryan Sears

For Big Sky Editorial Editor: Miky Wolf

#### Toolkit

Maya, After Effects, Mental Ray, Avid Nitris and Adrenalin, Alienware



MTV 44 1/2 "FACTORY" Billboard design

#### Client: MTV NETWORKS

Directors: MR. MCELWAINE, ANDREW ZUCKERMAN

Production: MR. MCELWAINE

VFX/animation: BIG SKY EFFECTS

By creating a leisurely paced, understated and unbranded billboard to run on MTV's 25x40 foot HD screen in Times Square, director McElwaine ensured the enigmatic piece would stand out from the usual neon chaos of Seventh Avenue and 44<sup>th</sup> street. The actors and foam trays were shot on green and composited into the 3D factory built by Big Sky Effects, the VFX division of New York's Big Sky Editorial.

#### RENASCENT Recent work

Client: SUPPER STUDIO

Director: JOOST KORNGOLD

#### Design/animation: RENASCENT

www.renascent.nl

#### EROSKI

Joost Korngold, Dutch director and grand master of beautifully strange CG compositions, brings his surreal touch to this director's cut of a TV spot for Spanish supermarket Eroski.

#### AUX MAGAZINE

A cinema commercial created for a Spanish publication focused on cinema, audio visual, literature and theater. Given no brief or direction from the agency — except to include a few key words — and one week for production, Korngold used the freedom to create a dark and dynamic experiment in 3D motion that cinema audiences won't mind watching.

Audio: DOSC

Toolkit 3ds Max, After Effects



#### "MIND/MATTER" Student film

#### Director: ANDREW GRAHAM www.theoriginalgueg.com

#### School: NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DESIGN, AUSTRALIA

www.swinburne.edu.au

#### Winner of the Motion Design category in the 2005 Global Student Animation Awards

This logo reveal was created by Australian Andrew Graham while interning with Sydney-based Spinifex Interactive as part of his quest for a Bachelor Degree in Multimedia Design. "By far the greatest challenge," recalls Graham, "was just managing my scenes. I had so many and so many different configurations for each one. The render times were astronomical initially and I had to work hard to get them down to something that was bearable."

Music: "Faceless" by Tim Fretwell

#### Tookit

3ds Max, Realflow, After Effects, Combustion, Premiere Pro

#### NOISE FESTIVAL Identity refresh

Client: NOISE FESTIVAL

CD: ADAM GARDINER

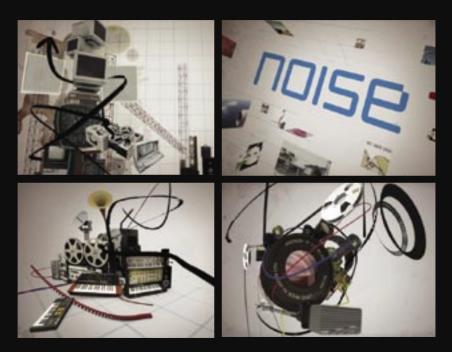
#### Design/animation: QUBE KONSTRUKT

www.qubekonstrukt.com

Melbourne-based design studio Qube Konstrukt bring their kinetic mograph chemistry to this identity refresh (complete with custom typeface) for the Noise Festival, a showcase of creative work from young Australians unfolding this October via print, television, radio and online.

#### For Qube Konstrukt

CD: Adam Gardiner Studio manager: Emily Mahy Audio: Callan Skuthorpe, Saardia Wong











#### NICKELODEON "NICK SUMMER" Broadcast design

#### Client: NICKELODEON NETWORKS

Director: ADOLESCENT

#### Design/animation: ADOLESCENT

www.adolescent.tv

Nickelodeon's Nick Summer IDs get a vivid burst of fun from NYC design studio adolescent. The kids' programming block includes special cartoon marathons and programs produced specifically for the summer vacation schedule.

For Nickelodeon AD: Tamar Samir

For Adolescent Principal/CD: Man Wai Cheung

#### Toolkit Illustrator, Photoshop, After Effects

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#### JOURNEY TO THE WEST Film trailer

#### Director: MOTO SAKAKIBARA

#### Animation: SPRITE ANIMATION STUDIOS www.spritee.com

Los Angeles-based Sprite is the new home of Moto Sakakibara, best known as co-director of Columbia Pictures' 2001 release, *Final Fantasy: The Spirits Within.* With a new CG feature called *GON* due to hit theatres in 2007, Sprite debuted this trailer at Siggraph 2005 as a demonstration of the company's creative abilities.

Populated by wholly original visions of mechanimals and various yoh-kai (spirit monsters), "Journey to the West" was inspired by an ancient Chinese tale and takes place in a silly-spectacular place called Nirvana Land which is meant to resemble a meditative state of Buddha. Apparently Buddha has opened a pipeline to the good stuff.











#### For Sprite

Director: Moto Sakakibara Producer: Junichi Yanagihara AD: Tatsuro Maruyama Concept designer: Eric Feng 3D artists: Tatsuro Maruyama, Takuji Tomooka Animator: Hideki Sudo VFX artist: Koji Kawamura Software engineer: Tadashi Endo

## Toolkit

Dell Precision 360, Arnold, Maya

HEYAH "GAME OVER SIMLOKI" CAMPAIGN TV and cinema :30 x 2

Agency: G7 AGENCJI, WARSAW

Director: MOTOMICHI NAKAMURA

#### Animation: MOTOMICHI

www.motomichi.com

Just how does a Brooklyn-based VJ and designer hook up with a Warsaw agency to create two TV spots for a Polish cell phone service? Director Motomichi Nakamura recalls it this way, "I was really surprised when I received an email from a producer at G7 to work on this campaign. Their creative director explained that he had known my work because of my web site and he thought that my style would be perfect for this client." Subsequent collateral developed from Motomichi's designs include billboards, online games and t-shirts.

#### For G7 Agencji

Directors: Jacek Hensler, Przemek Bogdanowicz







For Motomichi Director/animator: Nakamura Motomichi

Post: TPS Studio Filmowe

Toolkit Flash, After Effects

GOLD COAST TOURISM **BUREAU "VERY GC"** TV and cinema spot :45

Agency: M&C SAATCHI, SYDNEY

Director: TIM DYROFF

#### **Design/animation: RESOLUTION DESIGN**

www.resolutiondesign.com.au

Sydney-based Resolution Design combine 2D and 3D with a certain sultry sophistication in this :45 which ran on TV and in cinemas. Six staff massaged the project for two months - which the studio calls a comfortable schedule that allowed for fine-tuning. The studio helped regular client M&C Saatchi Sydney pitch the initial concept and extended the illustrated look into magazine and billboard apps.

For M&C Saatchi, Sydney CD: Ben Walsh Head of TV: Rod James AD: Michael Andrews

For Resolution Design Director: Tim Dvroff Producer: Will Álexander Designers/compositors: Maxence Peillon, Brent Grayburn Illustrator/animator: Steven Scott 3d artist: Grant Gill





#### SHERYL CROW "GOOD IS GOOD" Music video

#### Record label: INTERSCOPE RECORDS

#### Directors: KYLIE MATULICK, TODD MUELLER

# Production/design/animation: PSYOP

www.psyop.tv

Inspired by the beauty of Australia's Byron Bay beach, New York directors Matulick and Mueller assembled a style frame while still on the road, and as they remark, "Sheryl just loved it". With Crow available for only two days of shooting, Psyop skipped their usual previs phase working back and forth with editor Brett Nicoletti of wild(child) to lock a cut. Crow was so pleased with the video she retained the team to create the cover art for *Wildflower*, her CD and DVD released in September.



#### For Psyop

Flame: Eben Mears EPs: Justin Booth-Clibborn, Cath Berclaz Producer: Mariya Shikher Live action producer: Paul Middlemiss Lead 3D/TD: Domel Libid 3D: Chris Bach, Kevin Estey, Alvin Bae, Pakorn Bupphavesa, Laurent Barthelemy, Todd Akita, Vadim Turchin, Maurice Caicedo, Eric Lampi, Gerald Ding, Hay-yeun Lee Junior Flame: Jaime Aguirre, Joe Vitale Tracking: Joerg Liebold, Chris Hill, Jan Cilliers Designers: Douglas Lee, Daniel Piwowarzik, Babak Radboy 2D: Josh Harvey, BeeJin Tan, Mats Aanderson Roto: Chris Halstead, Adam Van Dine, Ella Boliver, Joshua Bush, Chad Nau, Kirstin Hall, Danielle Leiser, Stefania Gallico Storyboard: Benjamin Chan For wild(child) Editor: Brett Nicoletti

**Toolkit** Flame, Maya, Photoshop, After Effects

COMMON "GO" Music video

Record label: GEFFEN

Directors: CONVERT, MK12, KANYE WEST

Production: THE EBELING GROUP

Design/animation: CONVERT MK12

www.mk12.com

Convert, the newest addition to The Ebeling Group roster, collaborate with Matt Fraction from MK12 on this video that breaks through the usual music channel mush with a clean look and smooth retro-future motion design. Matt Tragesser, Convert CD, says all three directors were sensitive to the challenge of making a video about sexual fantasies while staying true to Common's rep as the thinking person's hiphop artist. "We knew if we didn't get it right, his fans would say, 'Common's doing what?'"





#### For The Ebeling Group

HOP: Alexander Dervin Editor: Jason Webb DP: Martin Ahlgren Live action producer: Mikha Grumet Post producer: Rosali Concepcion

**Toolkit** Maya, After Effects, Final Cut Pro



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#### ALIAS "SIXES LAST" Music video

Record label: ANTICON

#### Director: ARVIND PALEP

#### Animation/VFX: 1ST AVE MACHINE

www.1stavemachine.com

Working from an open brief, NYC's 1st Ave Machine creates the contents of an alien greenhouse where evolution has been coaxed off course. "[The video] is about how artificiality is creeping into the modern day world," explains director Arvind Palep, "We were looking at a merge between synthetic biology, nanotechnology, artificial intelligence and what could spawn from them." The live action was shot on HDV at New York's botanical gardens with the alien flora added with 3ds Max and rendered in Vray.

#### For 1st Ave Machine

Director: Arvin Palep Producer: Serge Patzak

#### Toolkit

3ds Max, Vray, Sony HDV Camcorder



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Sound: Noah Payne-Frank

**Toolkit** XSI, Photoshop, After Effects, Premiere, Shake

Check the Behind the Scenes feature on the DVD for more on this project.





#### "CONEHEAD" Student film

Director: DON PAN www.donpan.co.uk

School: BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY www.bournemouth.ac.uk

#### Winner of the Animation category in the 2005 Global Student Animation Awards

Graduating with a BA in product design in 1996, Don Pan fashioned housewares and websites before trekking off to the NCCA at Bournemouth University where he created *Conehead* on the way to his Masters degree in 3D Computer Animation.

This charming and darkly comic film was his final project and required 15 weeks from concept to completion. Pan recalls, "The best part of the production was after all those painful hours of getting the animation just right, it was real fun getting my own back and torturing Conehead in the end!" Pan graduated with distinction in 2004 and is currently plotting his second animated short.

#### FUNKSTÖRUNG "PUNK MOTHERFUCKER" Student film

Director: JAN MATHIAS STEINFORTH www.mateuniverse.de

#### School: HAWK HILDESHEIM, GERMANY

www.fh-hildesheim.de

#### Global Student Animation Awards winner of the VFX category and Best of 2005.

While many of the scores across the three GSAA categories where very close, this music video for the German band Funkstörung was given superlative marks by almost every judge with several scoring it a perfect 40 out of 40.

Working with the idea that one cannot run away from oneself, German graphic design student Jan Mathias Steinforth invokes a nightmare worthy of Kafka for the last project of his academic career.

Laboring to stay within the three-month deadline, Steinforth developed and storyboarded the idea, cast the actor, secured the locations, recruited the crew, directed the two-day shoot, designed the featured poster,



got the band to do a special version of the track, animated and composited the VFX and documented the entire process as required by the university.

Steinforth had some very specific ideas about the effect he wanted for the hallucinagenic poster, "The effect had to be automateable and had to be based on live-action source footage. But it couldn't look like a cheap plug-in, so I did extensive work exploring possibilities to achieve stunning visuals with different programs and approaches. This final approach is done by kind of misusing Maya Fur. I especially like this idea of using a technology in a way it isn't meant to be used to achieve an interesting effect."









For !K9 Records Music: Michael Fakesch, Chris DeLuca (Funkstörung)

For Mateuniverse Production: Dominika Hasse, Hans-Friedrich Müller Camera: Udo Sauer Best boy: Sven Windszus Cast: Ingmar Skrinjar

Toolkit After Effects, Maya



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The 2005 Global Student Animation Awards attracted entries from over 100 schools on five continents. Two of those schools clearly dominated this

vear's competition:

#### BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY

perches on the southern coast of England 100 miles southwest of London. This respected UK institution produced the 2005 Animation category winner and two more finalists.

#### SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN counts two campuses in Georgia and a third in Provence, France. This strongly focused US school placed four films among the finalists. www.scad.edu.

Drool over the complete list of prizes and watch for updates on the 2006 awards at:

www.stashmedia.tv/gsaa.

BEST OF 2005 and VFX WINNER "Funkstörung - Punk Motherfucker" Jan Mathias Steinforth HAWK Hildesheim, Germany

#### VFX FINALISTS

(alphabetical order)

"Absolute Zero" Hannes Ricklefs Bournemouth University, UK

#### "Digitally Converted"

Michael Papagni NYU - Center for Advanced Digital Applications, USA

#### "Los Angeles: Let's Be Friends"

Gunn, Rasoli, Norman Otis College, USA

"Swim" Sil van der Woerd Academy of Art & Design Arnhem, Netherlands ANIMATION WINNER "Conehead" Don Pan Bournemouth University, UK

ANIMATION FINALISTS (alphabetical order)

"Egghunt" Paul Yan Cogswell College, USA

"Lost in Zoo World" JJ Walker Savannah College of Art and Design, USA

"The Potter" Josh Burton Savannah College of Art and Design, USA

"Theros" Georgios Cherouvim Bournemouth University, UK

#### "To a Man With a Big Nose"

Cecilia Aranovich Santa Monica College AET, USA

(a tie resulted in five Animation category finalists)

MOTION DESIGN WINNER "Mind/Matter" Andrew Graham National Institute of Design, Australia

#### MOTION DESIGN FINALISTS

(alphabetical order)

"History Title / MTV Puerto Rico" Ted Gore The Creative Circus School, USA

"How Far. Mar" Joshua Goodrich Savannah College of Art and Design, USA

#### "Quid Pro Quo"

Daniel Oeffinger, Matt Smithson Savannah College of Art and Design, USA

"Seven Days" Alan Smith City College Manchester, UK

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