

Sara Connelly

ANIMATOR

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DEMO REEL

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SOFTWARE

ToonBoom Harmony
Office 365
Autodesk ShotGrid
Adobe CC

AWARDS & SERVICE

- ▶ Executive Board Member (Volunteer) - Ottawa Knitting Guild (2023 - Present)
- ▶ Algonquin College Excellent in Teaching Award nominee (2021)
- ▶ Algonquin College & Silicon Graphic's 3D Student Award winner (2018)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2018-Present
Mercury Filmworks

Assistant Department Head (Animation)

- ▶ October 2023 -Present
- ▶ Currently overseeing and executing the creation of training resources for artists - from junior level training & onboarding to higher level professional development & departmental cross training initiatives
- ▶ Other responsibilities include: pipeline process development, production staffing, community building

Animation Supervisor

- ▶ August 2021-Present
- ▶ Responsible for overseeing a team of animators; training & developing the skills of animators at all levels, quality control, providing feedback to animators, scene fixing

Animator

- ▶ Senior: October 2019-August 2021
- ▶ Intermediate: July 2019-October 2019
- ▶ Junior: June 2018-July 2019
- ▶ Character animation, scene fixing, and retakes

2023-Present
Women in Animation (WIA)

Volunteer Mentor

- ▶ Co-leading a mentorship circle that focuses on helping women & gender diverse individuals navigate challenges in the animation industry and find meaningful career paths for themselves

2020-2021
Algonquin College

Part-time Animation Professor

- ▶ Second year Character Animation I & II courses
- ▶ Course content included: continued instruction on animation principles & acting for animation, animating in ToonBoom Harmony

EDUCATION

2018
Algonquin College

Advanced Diploma (Honours) in Animation

2015
University of Ottawa

B.A. *cum laude* in Theatre