ALARA KOC

TECHNICAL ANIMATOR

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EDUCATION

SCAD
BFA in Technical Animation

2022 – Present

Dean's List | GPA 3.9

SCAD Distinguished Scholarship

Student Recognition Scholarship

LANGUAGES

- **English, Turkish**

SKILLS

Technical Skills

- Maya
- Python, C#, Java
- Marvelous Designer
- Substance Painter
- Blender
- Zbrush
- Houdini
- Unreal
- Marmoset Toolbag
- Adobe Photoshop

Soft Skills

- Utilizing AI to research, gather, and organize references and sources of inspiration.
- collaborating with cross-functional teams to help define and execute the vision
- balancing scope, deadlines, and implementation considerations

EXPERIENCE

VSFX Supervisor | Laika Howl

Sep. 2025 – present

- Supervised and delegated modeling tasks, personally modeling the main character to meet creative and technical standards
- Rigged five props independently, ensuring animator-friendly controls and functionality
- Delegated rigging for three characters and provided hands-on supervision with troubleshooting and tutorial creation for riggers
- Worked actively in look development, contributing to texturing and grooming to achieve desired visual quality and consistency

Visual Effects Intern | Rise Studio

Jun. 2025 – Aug 2025

- Learned about python best practices and wrote various python tools to automate certain parts of the unreal pipeline such as importing assets, creating materials and applying them.
- Helped with set design, landscaping, file organization and problem solving in UE5.

Technical Director | Little Moments

July 2024 – Jun 2025

- Conducted look development for animation, collaborating with the creative team to define the visual direction and ensure consistency across all assets, using Blender, Maya and Unreal
- Modeled and rigged 2 main characters enhancing their expressiveness and movement capabilities

Freelance Artist

June 2024 – Aug 2024

3D Artist responsible for

- conceptualization, modeling, UV unwrapping, texturing, lighting, rendering, and rigging
- meeting clients to discuss and review projects and deadlines, and recommend improvements
- providing technical support to clients to ensure file compatibility and functionality