The San Jose State Animation/Illustration Program is consistently ranked as one of the premier university programs in the nation. Originally conceived to give local, minority, and at-risk students a chance to compete in careers in film, television and gaming, SJSU Animation/Illustration maintains that goal by actively recruiting students from local high schools and community colleges. Nevertheless, as the program has achieved prominence, it has attracted students nationally and internationally. Outcomes are consistently good and students regularly win prestigious national and international recognition at festivals, exhibitions and screenings and have gained opportunities for internships and employment at leading studios and corporations.

Awards 2003-2013:

Adobe Design Achievement Awards: Finalist - 2005
Adobe Student Design Competition: Finalist - 2009
Ann Arbor Film Festival: Prix DeVarti Funniest Film Award - 2006
Arizona International Film Festival Special Recognition Award - 2006
ASIFA San Francisco Spring Festival - First Place College Students, Excellence in Animation College Students, & Excellence in Humor College Students - 2012
ASIFA-EAST Animation Festival: Best in Show - 2006
ASIFA-EAST Animation Festival: Third Place Independent Films - 2006
ASIFA-EAST Animation Festival: Third Place Independent Films - 2007
ASIFA-EAST Animation Festival: First Place Independent Films - 2009
ASIFA-EAST Animation Festival: Second Place Independent Films - 2011
ASU Art Museum Short Film and Video Festival: LeBlanc Audience Award Winner - 2009
BEFILM The Underground Film Festival: 3rd Place Animation Category - 2009
Berkeley Video & Film Fest: Grand Festival Award - 2003
Calgary Underground Film Festival: Jury Honorable Mention - 2006
Channel Frederator Awards: Best Traditional Film, and Cartoon of the Year - 2008
Cinema K: Children’s Film Festival: Best Animated Film - 2007
Cinequest: Audience Choice Award - Best Short Film - 2006
CreaTV Awards: Best Film Under 30 Minutes – 2011
CreaTV Awards: Best Film Under 30 Minutes – 2012
CreaTV Awards: Student Short Film - 2012
CreaTV Awards: Best Film Under 30 Minutes - 2013
CreaTV Awards: Student Short Film - 2013
CSU Media Arts Festival: Finalist (Short Screenplay) - 2009
CSU Media Arts Festival: First Place (Television) - 2009
CSU Media Arts Festival: First Place (Animated Film) - 2010
CSU Media Arts Festival: Second Place (Animated Film) - 2011
CSU Media Arts Festival: Best in Show, Best Animation, 3rd & 4th Place - Animation Category - 2012
CSU Media Arts Festival: First Place (Animated Film) 1st Place Animation & Best in Show - 2013
Hi Mom! Film Fest: Silver Award - 2006
International Student Film Festival: Winner - 2005
Jacksonville Film Festival: Best Short - 2006
KAFI Cartoon Challenge: First Place and People’s Choice Award - 2009
Kansas City Filmmaker’s Julep: Best Animation - 2006
Maurice Nobel Scholarship Winner: - 2009
Michigan Independent Film Fest: Best Animated Short - 2003
New Haven Underground Film Festival: Best Director (SJSU Lecturer David Chai) - 2006
Newport International Film Festival: Short Film Honorable Mention - 2006
Ohio Independent Film Fest: Best Comedic Short - 2003
Ottawa International Animation Festival - Honourable Mention - Short Animation Made for Children - 2012
Radio Alice 3-Minute Film Festival: First Place Animation Category - 2005
San Diego Asian Film Festival - Best Animation - 2011
Seattle International Film Festival Short Film: Animation Special Jury Prize - 2006

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Silver Lake Film Festival: Best Short Film - Animated - 2006
Slamdance Film Festival Anarchy Online Competition: Winner - 2003
Society of Illustrators Moving Picture Category: Gold Medal - 2013
Society of Illustrators Student Animation: First Place - 2012
Society of Illustrators Student Animation: Second Place - 2012
SoDak Animation Festival: Golden Cowbell Award - 2009
USA Film Festival: First Place Animation - 2011
Zankel $20,000 Scholarship, New York Society of Illustrators – 2009, 2010

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Feature Film Contributions:

A Bug’s Life
Artificial Intelligence (A.I.)
Atlantis
Avatar
Beowulf
Beverly Hills Chihuahua
Bewitched
Brave
Bringing Out the Dead
Cars
Curious George
Dreamcatcher
Eight Crazy Nights
Eragon
Finding Nemo
Flag of Our Fathers
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone
Hellboy
Home on the Range
Horton Hears a Who
How to Train Your Dragon
Ice Age II
Ice Age III
Indiana Jones and the Crystal Skull
Iron Giant
Iron Man
Joseph: King of Dreams
Kung Fu Panda 2
Lemony Snickett: A series of Unfortunate Events
Madagascar I
Madagascar II
Madagascar III
Magnolia
Men in Black II
Mirror, Mirror
Mission Impossible II
Mission: To Mars
Monsters, Inc.
Osmosis Jones
Peter Pan
Pirates of the Caribbean: Curse of the Black Pearl
Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man’s Chest
Poseidon
Punch Drunk Love
Ratatouille
Red Tails
Rise of the Guardians
Shrek Forever After
Shrek II
Shrek III

Signs
Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas
Space Cowboys
Star Trek
Star Wars Episode I
Star Wars Episode II
Star Wars Episode III
Super 8
Terminator III
The Emperor’s New Groove
The Hulk
The Incredibles
The Island
The Mummy
The Mummy Returns
The Princess and the Frog
The Simpsons
The Spiderwick Chronicles
The Tale of Despereaux
The Tigger Movie
The Twilight Saga: New Moon
Toy Story
Toy Story II
Turbo
Van Helsing
Wall-E
War of the Worlds
Winnie the Pooh

Student Placement:

20th Century Fox
3DO
ActiveVideo Networks
Activision
Aechelon Technology
Aeria Games
Anatome
Animation Mentor
Animator
Ankiewicz Studios
Apple
ArenaNet
Backbone Entertainment
Big Bugs Games
Bigpoint Inc.
Blizzard Entertainment
Blue Sky
Bottle Rocket Productions
Cadance Design Systems
Camouflaj
Cartoon Network
Cinderbiter
Citrix Systems
Cogswell Institute

College for Creative Studies
Crowdstar
Cryptic Sea
Cryptic Studios
Crystal Dynamics
Different Digital Design
Digital Domain
Digital Eclipse
Disney Interactive
Disney International
DisneyToons Studio
DNA Games
Double Fine
DreamWorks Animation
DreamWorks SKG
DreamWorks/PDI
Eidos Interactive
Electronic Arts
Factor 5
Film Roman
Framestore CFC
Gaia Online Interactive
Gamma Entertainment
GATE 3DG Studio Inc
Gazillion Studio
Ghostbot
Google
GREE International
Hallmark Cards
hi5 Network
Industrial Light and Magic
iWin
Kabam
Leapfrog
Lightsource Studios
Liberty Entertainment
Lidzo Studios
Lines
Liquid Development
Lucas Arts
Lucasfilm Animation
Mattel
Maxis
Milton Bradley
Mondo Media
My Picture Book
Namco
National Geographic Magazine
NBC-Universal Studios
NCsoft-Paragon
Nickelodeon
Nickhistic Software
Opera San Jose
Orange County Register
Orphanage
Phoenix Age

Picture Mill
Pirate Games
Pixar
PIXR
Playdom
Playfirst Games
Pocket Gems
PopCap Games
Present Creative
Punch
Purple Crayon
Red Storm Games
Reel FX
Renegade Animation
Rhythm and Hues Apprentice
Program
Rockstar Games
Rough Draft Studios
San Francisco Chronicle
San Jose Mercury News
San Jose State University
Sigil Games
Six Point Harness
Slipgate Ironworks
Sony Entertainment
Sony Games
Sony Pictures
Sony/Columbia
Spirite Art
Storm 8
Stormfront
TAG Games Studio
Take Two Games
The Art Institute of Las Vegas
The Huffington Post
The Mill
The Orphanage
Tippett Studios
Titmouse
Trion World Network
Ubisoft
Universal Pictures
Visual Concepts/2K
Walt Disney Animation
Walt Disney Feature Animation
Warner Bros
Webjuice
Wholphin
Wild Brain
Wild Needle
WishB Games
Wonderhill Games
Z-Axis
Zynga

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Screenings 2003-2013:

1 Reel Film Festival - 2006
Albany Film Fest - 2012
Anchorage International Film Festival - 2004, 2005, 2006
AniFest International Festival of Animated Films - 2006, 2007
Animafest (Croatia) - 2012
Animated Exeter - 2007
Animpact Max - 2012
Annapolis Film Festival - 2006
Annecy - 2006
Annecy Plus - 2006
Annual Atlanta Film Festival - 2006
Arizona International Film Festival - 2006
Asians on Film Festival - 2013
ASU Art Museum Short Film and Video Festival - 2009, 2011
Athens International Film & Video Festival - 2010
Atlanta Film Festival - 2006, 2012
Austin Film Festival - 2010, 2011
BEFILM The Underground Film Festival - 2009, 2013
Berkeley Video & Film Fest - 2003
Bermuda International FF Kids Film Festival - 2007
Best of Circle K Children’s Film Festival Seattle - 2007
Blue Plum Animation Festival - 2012
Brooklyn International Film Festival - 2004, 2005, 2006
Burbank International Film Festival - 2011
BUSTER Copenhagen International Film Festival for Children and Youth - 2006
CAAM Festival - 2013
Cairo International Film Festival for Children - 2007
Calgary Underground Film Festival - 2006
Canadian Film Centre’s World-wide Short Film Festival - 2006
Chicago International REEL Shorts Festival - 2006
Cinema K: Children’s Film Festival - 2007
CineMondo International Animation Festival - 2003, 2004
Cleveland International Film Festival - 2011, 2013
Coeur d’Alene Film Festival - 2007
Comedia Film Festival - 2006
Connecticut Film Festival - 2006
Crossroads Film Festival - 2011, 2013
CSU Media Arts Festival - 2009, 2010, 2011
DC APA Film Festival - 2006, 2009, 2012
DC Shorts Film Festival - 2006, 2009, 2012
Detroit Film Festival - 2009
Edmonton International Film Festival - 2006
Etuda & Anima International Film Festival - 2005
Fear No Film Festival - 2006
Feel Good Film Festival - 2008
Filmfest Dresden: Films for Children - 2009
Florida Film Festival - 2011
Gen Art Ignite! San Francisco - 2006
GIRAFF7 - 2011
Golden Kuker â Sofiaâ (Bulgaria) - 2006, 2007, 2009
Hampton Film Fest - 2006
Hi/Lo Film Festival - 2006
HollyShorts, Short Film Festival - 2006
Human Rights Film Festival - 2013
International Student Film Festival - 2005
Ion Animation, Games and Film Festival - 2005, 2006
Ivy Film Festival - 2012
Jacksonville Film Festival - 2006
Jerusalem International Film Festival - 2011
Just For Laughs Film Festival - 2009
Kansas City Filmmakers Jubilee - 2006
KROK International Animated Films Festival - 2011
Kun.Kortfilm International Short Film Festival - 2007
Lake Placid Film Festival - 2004
Laugh Out Loud Short Film Fest - 2006
Los Angeles Asian Pacific Film Festival - 2013
Los Angeles Film Festival - 2006
Maryland Film Festival - 2006, 2011
Maui Film Festival - 2006
Melbourne International Film Festival - 2006
Michigan Independent Film Festival - 2003
Mill Valley Film Festival - 2007
Milwaukee International Film Festival - 2006
Motor City International Film Festival - 2004
New Haven Underground Film Festival - 2006
New York City Short Film Festival - 2005
New York International Children’s Film Festival - 2011
Newport International Film Festival - 2006
Non Violence International Film Festival - 2012
North Fork Film Festival - 2007
Northwest Animation Festival - 2012
Northwest Asian American Film Festival - 2006, 2007
Ohio Independent Film Fest - 2003
Oholne College Filmm, Video, and Multimedia Festival
Okanagan Film Festival - 2007
Ottawa Animation Festival International - 2012
Ontario Film Festival - 2011
Palm Springs International Festival of Short Films - 2003, 2004
Philadelphia Film Festival - 2006
Planet Ant Film Festival - 2003
Port City Animation Festival - 2004, 2005
Portland International Short Short Film Festival - 2003, 2005, 2006
Portland Oregon Women’s Film Festival - 2013
Rec 06, festival de cinema de tarragona - 2006
Red Stick International Animation Festival - 2012
Reel 2 Real International Film Festival for Youth - 2013
Reghoboth Beach Independent Film Festival - 2006
River Run International Film Festival - 2007
Rooftop Films Summer Series - 2011
Salt Lake City Film Festival - 2011
San Francisco Independent Film Festival - 2006
San Francisco Underground Short Film Festival - 2011, 2012
San Jose Short Film Festival - 2010, 2011, 2012
Santiago de Compostela International Short Film Festival - 2006
Scottsdale International Film Festival - 2006
Seattle International Film Festival - 2006
Seoul International Cartoon & Animation Festival - 2006, 2007
SF Shorts - 2012
Silver Lake Film Festival - 2006, 2007
Slamdance - 2004
South Beach International Animation Festival - 2009
Spike and Mike’s Festival of Animation - 2012
Spokane International Film Festival - 2012
Sprockets Toronto International Film Festival for Children - 2007
St. Louis International Film Festival - 2006, 2009, 2011
Sundance Film Festival - 2006
Taiwan International Animation Festival - 2006
TARFEST Film Festival - 2006
Tehran International Animation Festival - 2005
Tel Aviv Animation Festival - 2010
Toronto Reel Asian Film Festival - 2005
UC Davis Asian American Association Film Festival - 2007
USA Film Festival - 2010, 2011, 2012
Victoria Independent Film & Video Festival - 2006
WAMM Festival - 2013
Wiesbaden International Week of Animation - 2011
Williamstown Film Festival - 2006
Woodstock Film Festival - 2006, 2011
World of Comedy Film Festival - 2004, 2006
Yale Asian American Film Festival - 2013

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Recent Campus Guests:

Guilluame Aremios: Director, DreamWorks Visual Development Master Class and Critique
Jeff Biancalana: Story Artist, Blue Sky Studio
Dalma Bolech: Electronic Arts Portfolio Review and Critique
Bill Bowers: Actor, Acting Instructor
Pascal Campion: Animator, Illustrator - DreamWorks, Disney, Cartoon Network, Nickelodeon
Tim Cheung: DreamWorks Digital Animation Master Class and Critique
Kendel Cronkhite: DreamWorks, Campus lecture and BFA Critique
Cassidy Curtis: DreamWorks Animator, BFA Critique
Sabrina de Losrios: Blue Sky Studio Recruiting Presentation and Critique
Ron Diamond: Animation Producer, ACME Filmworks
Clarie Erwin: Adobe Education Marketing
Colin Fix: Ice Blink Studio Presentation and Critique
Colin Fix: Visual Development Artist, LucasArts
Gustaf Fjelstrom: Design Reactor Art Director - Senior Show Critique
Marilyn Friedman: DreamWorks Portfolio Review and Critique
Alejandro Garcia: SJSU Outstanding Professor (Physics), Physics of Motion Lecture
Frank Gladstone: Dreamworks, History of Animation Presentation
Andrew Gordon: Animator, Pixar
Rex Grignon: DreamWorks Animation Master Classes and Critique
James Gurney: Children’s book illustrator and author “Dinotopia” series
Andrew Harkins: Animator, DreamWorks-SKG
Cindy Haugh: Electronic Arts Digital Lab Opening
Tim Heitz: Story artist, DreamWorks
Steve Hickner: Director, DreamWorks, SKG
Thomas Hoon: Visual Development Presentation
Shannon Jeffries: DreamWorks Visual Development Master Classes and BFA Critique
Patrick Jensen: Visual Development Artist, LucasArts
Jeffrey Katzenberg: CEO, DreamWorks-SKG
Noah Kloeck: PIXAR Visual Development Artist Presentation
Kevin Knight: Microsoft Games-Recruiting and Senior Show Critique
Rob Koo: DreamWorks Portfolio Review and Critique
Jack Lew: Electronic Arts Presentation and Portfolio Review/Critique
Wayne Lo: Factor 5 Visual Development Artist Presentation
Dela Longfish: Sony Visual Development Presentation and Critique, LucasArts
Robert MacKenzie: Blue Sky Studio Visual Development Critique/Demo
Brad Maihack: HP Controller & Director of Finance, SJSU Recruiting
Mike Makerawicz: Supervising Animator, Pixar
Cathy McQuitty: Hallmark Cards Character Workshop and Critique
Januel Mercado: Storyboard Artist, DreamWorks-SKG
Aubry Mintz: Animator, Animation Instructor, Cal State Long Beach
Nino Navarra: Ironworks Visual Development Artist Presentation and Critique
Stephen Neary: Story Artist, Blue Sky Studios
Teddy Newton: Story and Development, Pixar
Ramon Olivera: Hallmark Cards Character Workshop and Critique
Ruben Perez: Artist, PDI-DreamWorks
Steve Pilcher: Director, Pixar
Jason Reisig: Animator, DreamWorks-SKG
Jason Ryan: Animator, Walt Disney Feature Animation
Jeff Sangalli: Visual Development Artist, LucasArts
Gary Silver: Walt Disney Animator/Artist Lecture
Larry Silverberg: Actor, Acting Instructor
Pat Smith: Independent Animator Presentation
Joe Weatherly: Animal Drawing Workshop
Josh West: Supervising Modeler - DreamWorks Animation