# **Robert Tighe**

### Senior Animator at Standing Stone Games

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# Summary

To create the motions, gestures, and expressions of characters, creatures and objects.

I'm looking to work in an environment where people are creating ideas and stories that they are passionate about and help bring those stories to life. Somewhere that I'm going to be pushed and challenged, where I can learn from other animators, and keep striving to become a great animator myself.

## Experience

### Senior Animator at Standing Stone Games

December 2016 - Present (4 months)

**Dungeons and Dragons Online** 

Lord of the Rings Online

- Animating all creatures and characters for both franchises
- Creating rigs and animation for new creatures and avatars
- Updating and improving older animation
- Responsible for pipeline integration of new animation into the games

#### Senior Character Animator-MMO Team at Turbine

May 2016 - December 2016 (8 months)

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#### Senior Animator-Mobile Team at Turbine

June 2015 - May 2016 (1 year)

- Animation and VFX using Maya and Unity software for new mobile projects.
- Created character animation with Maya and added them to custom machine states within Unity.
- Worked within Unity to create shaders using Shaderforge
- Developed particle effects within Unity including sparks, fire, water and smoke.
- Created 2d animation using sprites within Unity.

#### Senior Animator at Turbine

August 2008 - June 2015 (6 years 11 months)

- 'Infinite Crisis' Animation Team Lead
- Key frame creature and character animation using Autodesk Maya
- Daily collaboration with systems designers
- Active participant in team art discussions, critiques and reviews.
- Experience in creating animation state machines and blend trees
- A thorough understanding of animation pipelines from conceptual phase to implementation

#### **Character Animator at Conduit Labs**

February 2008 - August 2008 (7 months)

- Responsible for all character animation using low-poly human character rigs
- Working closely with game designers, engineers and tech
- Always meeting deadlines in a fast-paced environment

### Motion Graphics and New Media Developer at LehmanMillet

October 1999 - February 2007 (7 years 5 months)

- Motion graphics and web development design and production
- Working closely with and taking direction from writers and art directors
- Always meeting deadlines in a fast paced environment
- Current and knowledgeable about existing and emerging technologies
- Educating team members on new techniques

#### Alumni at AnimationMentor.com

2005 - 2007 (2 years)

Advanced Studies in Character Animation

#### Sergeant at US ARMY Reserve

1997 - 2005 (8 years)

- Section Leader
- Recipient of the Army Commendation Medal
- Distinguished Honor Graduate, U.S. Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Virginia
- Squad Leadership Award, Warrior Leader Course, Fort Dix, New Jersey

#### Courses

### **Senior Animator**

Turbine

iAnimate Games Animation Workshop

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### **Independent Coursework**

Japanese Language and Culture, Level 1 and 2

Languages

**English** 

(Native or bilingual proficiency)

**Projects** 

**Infinite Crisis** 

October 2012 to August 2015

Members:Robert Tighe

**Lord of the Rings Online** 

August 2008 to Present

Members:Robert Tighe

**Dungeons and Dragons Online** 

August 2008 to Present

Members:Robert Tighe

**Game of Thrones-Conquest** 

June 2015 to May 2016

Members:Robert Tighe

Animation and Modeling simple characters for mobile devices.

## Skills & Expertise

**Character Animation** 

Animation

Maya

**Computer Animation** 

**Facial Animation** 

**Video Games** 

**Game Development** 

**Computer Graphics** 

**Creature Animation** 

**Storyboarding** 

**After Effects** 

Photoshop

**Game Design** 

Compositing

**Computer Games** 

**Photography** 

**Drawing** 

**Adobe Creative Suite** 

**Storytelling** 

3D animation

Character

**Character Modelling** 

**Particle Effects** 

Unity3D

**Visual Effects** 

**3D** 

Art

**Adobe Photoshop** 

### Education

#### AnimationMentor

Certified Diploma, Advanced Studies in Character Animation, 2006 - 2007

Activities and Societies: Peer Buddy Program

### **Animals and Creatures Master Class**

Certificate of Completion, Creature Animation, 2011 - 2011

#### **Art Institute of Boston**

BFA, Graphic Design, 1994 - 1997

### **Massachusetts College of Art**

Graphic Design, 1987 - 1991

### **Interests**

Japanese Language

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# Volunteer Experience

#### Peer Buddy at Animation Mentor

January 2015 - April 2015

Mentoring new animation students as they learn this endless discipline.

### Certifications

### **Story and Character Development for Animation**

Lynda.com License DA16C0 April 2016

### Up and Running with MotionBuilder

Lynda.com License 764769 August 2016

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# 2 person has recommended Robert

"I've worked with Rob for years across several projects, and would gladly work with him again. He is an excellent animator, with great instincts for what will read well and have impact. He works quickly, and is an exceptional problem solver. He takes strong responsibility for the projects he works on, constantly reviewing work to insure it is as good as it can be, and finding good bang-for-buck ways to improve the animation of the game, and add character where it may be lacking. He is a good mentor for junior animators, as well, and is very collaborative in solving challenges that come up. He's an asset to any team."

— Harry Teasley, Art Director, Turbine Inc., managed Robert at Turbine

"Since my first day at Turbine, Robert has been one of the best "go to" animators on the team. He is a talented animator that is passionate about his work, provides constructive feedback and direction, and is an absolute pleasure to work with."

— Edward Hull, worked directly with Robert at Turbine

Contact Robert on LinkedIn