



DEAR WEBSITE VISITOR:

As with most artists, I discovered my love of art at a very young age. I loved watching National Geographic documentaries, and reading books on nature. I began drawing monkey's, snakes, tigers, and many other creatures found in nature magazines. I also discovered a love for aviation. This in turn led to my joining the Air Force in December, 1997. Throughout elementary, middle and high school, I won many art contests. It was during these times that I developed a need to create things. This frustrated my father because his garage would be in ruins by the time he arrived home from a hard day of work. I experimented with clay, fiberglass, plastic models and bike parts.

While I enjoyed these many hobbies, I did not clearly understand what I should do for the rest of my life. So, I joined the Air force and became an aircraft and missile mechanic. I was stationed in Great Falls, Montana where the winters were much too cold to go out and do anything. I became bored having to stay inside my dorm room and in 1998 for my 21st birthday, my parents bought me a 6500 Macintosh computer . I had a good friend loan me a program called "Infinite" which helped create 3D images and I was turned on to it instantly. I was excited because I could now build whatever I imagined. No longer would I need to destroy garages; my creations could all be designed in my own little pixel world. I then discovered my passion. After fulfilling my time with the Air Force, I applied for art school to continue to feed my soul.

Now that I have completed my 3D modeling degree at the Academy of Art University in San Francisco, my artistic abilities have changed dramatically. I have learned about composition, color theory, anatomy, overall form, and understand what it means to work as a team after finishing my first short film. One thing hasn't changed however. I still find myself staying up throughout the night with just as much passion for building things in the computer as I did back in the Air Force designing missile launch patches. I am eager to pursue a career in 3D modeling and ready to face the challenges that lie ahead. I now have a clear vision of what I want to do with the rest of my life!

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