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## Demo Reel Breakdown

### **01 Ionia: The Blood Moon** (Jun - Oct 2013) *Individual project; League of Legends animation*

*Original concept and story*

- Directed and choreographed by me
- Modeling, texturing, rigging, animation, cloth simulation, particle effects, smoke simulation, lighting, compositing, and rendering were done in Blender
- Rendered with Cycles.
- Textures generated with CrazyBump, edited with Photoshop. Specific texture art created from scratch with Photoshop.
- Video editing, sound editing, and sound design done in Vegas

*Ionia: The Blood Moon was a tribute to the characters in League of Legends, specifically two characters, Master Yi and Akali, in their native nation, Ionia. I wanted to do justice to the beautiful imagery Riot portrayed in some of their concept art, as well as work with a composer for original music (by J. Benjamin Scott aka Vedrim on Youtube).*

### **02 Ionian Dojo** (Jul 2013) *Individual project; Film asset for Ionia: The Blood Moon*

*Original concept*

- Modeling, texturing, lighting, rendering, compositing, and particle effects were done in Blender;
- Rendered with Cycles.
- Textures generated with CrazyBump, edited with Photoshop.

### **03 Akali, Fist of Shadow** (Jun 2013) *Individual project; Film asset for Ionia: The Blood Moon*

*Initial concept by Riot*

- Modeling, texturing, rigging, animation, and cloth simulation were done in Blender
- Rendered with Cycles.
- Textures generated with CrazyBump. Specific texture art created from scratch with Photoshop.

### **04 NEXport Drone** (Sep 2014) *Individual project; Film asset*

*Initial concept by Matt Bell*

- Modeling, rigging, shading, and animation done in Blender
- Rendered with Cycles.
- Done to show Colin Levy and Andrew Price an example of what I can do, but as relevant as possible to what they were looking for.

### **05 Robotic Arm** (Sep 2014) *Individual project; Film asset*

*Initial concept by Colin Levy*

- Modeling, rigging, animation, and shading done in Blender
- Rendered with Cycles.
- Done to show Colin Levy and Andrew Price an example of what I can do, but as relevant as possible to what they were looking for.

## **06 Minecraft Chess in Real Life** (Jul 2012) *Individual project; Camera Tracking exercise; Minecraft Animation*

*Original concept*

- Animated in Blender
- Rendered with Blender Internal.
- Camera tracking done in Blender.

## **07 Gods Don't Bleed** (Aug 2012) *Minecraft fight animation*

*Original concept and story*

- Director and choreographer
- Camera work animated in Blender
- Texturing, animation, lighting, particle effects, and rendering done in Blender
- Rendered with Blender Internal
- Textures created in MS Paint
- Video editing, sound editing, and sound design done in Vegas.

*Gods Don't Bleed was the first completed animation I worked on. I wanted to make an action animation with an air of moral ambiguity. Herobrine is a legend of godlike evil, but I wanted to portray him as a more relatable, human character. Also, fight sequences hadn't been done well in the past for Minecraft, so I thought I would take things into my own hands and make one.*

## **08 Gods Don't Die** (Sep 2014) *Minecraft fight animation; Sequel to Gods Don't Bleed*

*Original concept and story*

- Director and choreographer
- Texturing, animation, lighting, particle effects, and rendering done in Blender
- Rendered in Cycles
- Textures created in MS Paint
- Video editing, sound editing, and sound design done in Vegas.

*Due to the huge success of Gods Don't Bleed (11 million views to date), I decided to make a sequel. This time, the mobs would be rebelling on a much larger scale. Gods Don't Die was created two years after the first one. I believe that visually I have improved drastically on animation quality and efficiency. I have also improved on lighting, rendering, and compositing. I maintained the relatability of Herobrine. To this day, still no other fight animation (at least in Minecraft animations) can compare to Gods Don't Bleed except for Gods Don't Die.*

## **09 Zeratul, Dark Templar** (Apr 2013) *Individual project; Character building exercise*

*Initial concept by Blizzard*

- Modeling, sculpting, texturing, rigging, animation, and cloth simulation were done in Blender;
- Rendered with Cycles.
- Exercise to practice building a character from concept art designs.