

# Ryan Krzak

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## **Objective**

I am a motivated, driven worker with 12 years experience managing my own animation/graphics business. My objective is always to find new creative opportunities to expand my horizons.

## **Skills**

- Quick learner passionate about figuring out how things work
- Extensive experience working with a team on creative projects
- Efficient task management
- Works well under stress/demanding situations
- Empathetic to the needs of others
- Technical Proficiency in Adobe Creative Suite, Toonboom, and Sony Vegas
- Basic knowledge of HTML and web design

## **Work Experience**

**Wappin Animation (2010-present)** – Animation studio managed by myself. I personally do the animation work, and also my own client acquisition, marketing, bookkeeping, billing, and contracts. Over the course of my career I've created several music videos for bands that ended up receiving 10s of millions of views, illustrated published children's books, designed the interface for E-Learning programs, and amassed a loyal following online. References for any clients below are available upon request. Partial list of client work:

- **Studio Yotta (2013-present)** - Created high-end animation for big name clients, (such as Nickelodeon, Cartoon Network, Warner Bros and Double Fine,) usually under demanding deadlines. Occasionally filled managerial or directorial roles on projects, leading animators under myself.
- **Princess Bento Studio (2021-present)** – Animator on the Adult Swim show Smiling Friends
- **Nycrama (2019-present)** – Provided animation for cut-scenes and in-game assets for Super Meat Boy games and promotional material.
- **Ankin Law (2013-present)** – Artist for all the content for Ankin Law's "stickman" ad campaign, the main advertising for this successful law firm. Work directly with the marketing team on ideas for TV commercials, print, billboards, buswraps, T-Shirts, and landing pages.
- **Hungry Dog Video (2015-2019)** – Created promotional material and explainer videos tailored specifically to each client's needs. Also designed logos, sometimes animated logos.
- **Pencilmation (2018 - 2021)** – Large Youtube channel that makes does animated children's shorts. I've personally animated seven full episodes, the most popular of which has over 60 million views.
- **Amarok Productions (2010 – 2012)** – Animator of several animated sequences in the feature film I Heart Shakey. I also did promotional/marketing content for the film.
- **Calabash Animation (2010-2011)** – Was apprenticed by animators of classic Trix/Lucky Charms commercials. Provided animation assistance, in-betweens, and clean-up on these TV commercials. Traditional- pencil and paper.

Other employment history:

**Amazon (2020-2022)** – Package Delivery.

**Universal Expedite (2015)** – Dispatcher for a fleet of vans. Networked shipments from pickup to delivery under fast paced working conditions.

**McGraw Hill Education (2014-2015)** – Per Diem – organized supplies and kept inventory.

## **Education**

Bachelor of Arts in Film/Video: Animation, Graduated May 2010, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago IL

## **Awards/Affiliations**

Eagle Scout (Achieved in 2006)