

# ALEXANDER REYNA

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## Summary

Experienced educator and practitioner with over a decade teaching on the undergraduate and graduate level. Mentored and developed dozens of BFA and MFA theses, several independent studies, and more. Over 25 year of broadcast, gaming and interactive media. Multiple shipped AAA games, mobile products and VR titles for Oculus, Vive, and Daydream. Solo and group exhibitions at galleries and Universities around the world.

## Skills

Designing	Art Direction   Branding   Graphic Design   Motion + Interaction Design   UX   UI   VRUX
Directing	Building Consensus   Creating   Innovating   Leading   Problem Solving   Strategizing
Platforms	Android   Daydream   Gear   iOS   Oculus   PS4   Switch   Vive   Web   Xbox One
Technical Code	Adobe Creative Suite   inVision   Maya   Sketch   Substance Designer + Painter   Unity   Unreal AFRAME   HTML   CSS   C#

## Education

<b>Pratt Institute, New York</b> MFA Painting	2000
<b>University of New Hampshire, Durham New Hampshire</b> BFA Painting Minor Architecture, Art History, Philosophy	1996

## Teaching

<b>Adjunct Instructor</b> <b>Computer Arts Department (BFA, MFA)</b> <b>School of Visual Arts, New York, New York</b> Taught a variety of courses from pre-college to MFA to help students become artists, designers, game makers and creative problem solvers. Our courses at SVA allow students to develop a unique visual style and the technical means to implement high fidelity creative work. My students have achieved massively successful careers at some of the best shops in the world. <b>Coursework Including</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Game Design</li><li>• Game Art Production</li><li>• 2d Dynamic Media / Motion Design</li><li>• 3d Production/ Animation</li><li>• Digital Fine Arts Studio</li><li>• Thesis Production</li></ul>	2000 – 2013
<b>Assistant Professor</b> <b>Computer Arts and Technology (BFA)</b> <b>Mercy College, White Plains, New York</b> Developed technical and theoretical approaches to produce high quality animation and digital effects for games and broadcast. Topics include modeling and shading for 3d, game production, digital lighting, and cinematic	2004 – 2006

development.

**Coursework Including**

- Game Art Production
- Digital Animation
- Digital Production Studio

**Instructor**

2002 – 2004

**Center for Advanced Digital Application (MA)**

**New York University, New York, New York**

Class topics include production theory, pipeline and workflow, compositing and rendering theory.

**Coursework Including**

- Introduction to Modeling
- Intensive Computer Animation & Visual Effects.

**Guest Lectures**

Guest Lecturer, Mercy College, Computer Art, New York, NY 2019  
Guest Lecturer, NYU Tandon, IDM, New York, NY  
Guest Lecturer, School of Visual Arts, Computer Art, New York, NY

Guest Lecturer, NYC Media Lab, New York, NY 2016

Guest Lecturer, Millersville University, Millersville, PA 2014

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Guest Lecturer, Pratt Institute, New York NY

Guest Lecturer, Bloomfield College, Art and Technology, New York NY 2008  
Guest Lecturer, Mercy College, Computer Art, New York NY  
Guest Lecturer, Touro College, New York NY

Guest Lecturer, Parsons School of Design, New York NY 2007  
Guest Lecturer, Pratt Institute, New York NY

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**Professional Experience**

**Major League Baseball, Games and VR** 2013 -Current  
**Director of Experience Design – August 2016 to current**  
**Creative Director – May 2013 to August 2016**

**Responsibilities**

- Define, recruit and lead internal and external group focusing on Product Design, UX/UI, Art Direction, Motion Design and more.
- Conceive and direct tentpole marketing including commercials and photo shoots with MLB athletes. Onset experience directing visuals and vfx.
- Research and develop emerging technology and novel user experiences.

## Highlights

- Prototyped and built business case for the MLB VR department. Built the team from 3 to 30+ with a focus on gaming and other emerging experiences.
- Conceived and directed At Bat VR - MLB's signature product for Google Daydream VR.
- Launched 3d data visualization for MLB Network "Enhanced Game of the Day".

### **Creative Director, Powerhead Games**

Strategy and product development for iOS and web.

2012 – 2013

### **Creative Director, 4mm Games**

Led internal team to develop all game, marketing and web products. Owned the visual identity and game design for original IP. Developed a culture focused around design iteration and collaboration.

2008 – 2011

### **Chief Creative Officer, www.thecomplexx.com**

A casual MMO product. Defined launch platform, managed internal and external creative teams, and owned creative output.

2007 – 2008

### **Creative Director and Partner, Pixelplume**

Specializing in motion graphics and animation, our clients varied from fortune 500 to high profile architectural firms including Armani, Atmosphere Pictures, Chanel, FuseTv, Getty Images, Nike, Lacoste, Microsoft, Radical Media and more.

2005 – 2008

### **Art Director, Street Trace NYC–XBOX, Gaia Industries, New York**

Art Direction for an Xbox Arcade launch title.

2007

### **Art Director, Stuart Little II – PC, Hyperspace Cowgirls, New York**

Art Director on all cinematic shots including animation and team management. Lead Art for environments.

2003

### **Technical Director, Nickelodeon, New York**

Various work for the Nickelodeon Digital Labs. We produced a wide variety of projects including the intro sequence for Invader Zim, a Jimmy Neutron motion ride at Universal Studios, and several animated show IDs. My work was split between concept development, technical direction, lighting, render and final composite.

2001 - 2002

### **Concept Artist, CBS Sportsline, Nickelodeon, New York**

Produced conceptual design, color studies and shaders for three unique :30 spots airing during the Super Bowl. In addition, built pre-production 3d models to aid in texture and lighting setup.

2001

### **Concept Artist, Midnight Club, Rockstar Games, New York**

Created 2d and 3d renderings for Rockstar Games PlayStation 2 titles including Midnight Club and Smuggler's Run.

### **Art Director, Gameloft, New York**

Managed all creative aspects of www.gameloft.com . Worked to integrate various departments (design, programming, development) to complete and

2000

launch new sites. In addition, conceived, designed and implement on-air interstitials and network ID for a gaming television show.

**3d Artist, Batman Vengeance-PS2, Ubisoft, New York**

1999

Worked with the Art Director to produce environmental concepts, 3d models and 2d textures. Concepts, initial models and integrated 3d elements were used to create multiuse 'kits' inside UBI's proprietary engine.

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**Awards and Honors**

**Fast Company Innovation by Design Honorable Mention**  
AtBat VR

2018

**Outstanding Digital Innovation Sports Emmy Nomination**

2016

Chasing History: Making Reality Real Time  
360 VR Videos series developed for World Series 2016

**Clio Sports Silver – Digital/Mobile Game**

2016

MLB Line Drive

**Clio Sports Bronze– Digital/Mobile Game**

MLB Home Run Derby 2016

**Appy Awards - Mobile Game of the Year Action/Arcade/Sports**

2015

MLB Home Run Derby 2015

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**Solo Exhibitions**

**LoveHateNow**

2010

A Window Installation at Mixed Greens Gallery  
New York, NY

**Some Assembly Required**

2009

Pablo's Birthday Gallery  
New York, NY

**False Flag**

Brot Und Spiele Galerie  
Berlin, Germany

2007

**The Dark Hour**

Pablo's Birthday Gallery  
New York, NY

**Alexander Reyna**

2006

Miller Weitzel Gallery  
Cleveland, OH

**ICONS (Project Room)**

2004

Pablo's Birthday Gallery  
New York, NY

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**Selected Group Exhibitions**

**“The Medium and the Message”**

2011

curated by Jimi Billingsley  
Kleiner/James Center for the Arts, Woodstock, NY

- “autosemblematic”** 2010  
curated by Jennifer Junkermeier  
Local Project, Long Island City, NY
- “Digital Art LA“**  
curated by Rex Bruce  
Los Angeles Center for Digital Art, LA
- “Painting with Pictures”**  
curated by David Gibson and Savannah Spirit  
Casita Maria Center, Bronx, NY
- "Assets, Elements and Objects of Desire-Now in 3D"** 2009  
curated by John McIntosh  
School of Visual Arts Westside Gallery, New York, NY
- "Contemporary Flanerie: Reconfiguring Cities"**  
curated by Vagner Whitehead  
Oakland University, Rochester, MI
- “BAC! 08 REVEIL-TOI“** 2008  
La Santa Gallery  
Barcelona Art Center, Barcelona, Spain
- "Coloring Book"**  
curated by Louky Keijsers  
LMAKprojects, Brooklyn, NY
- "Continuous Current"**  
curated by Diane Field  
MFA Computer Art Department, School of Visual Arts, NY
- "Darklight Animation 1"**  
Darklight Film Festival  
Dublin, Ireland
- "Digital Graffiti at Alys Beach"**  
curated by Alan Hunter  
Alys Beach, FL
- “Digitalia: Intimacy in the Hyperreal”**  
curated by Evan J. Garza  
Deborah Colton Gallery, Houston, TX
- “Indian Summer”**  
curated by Jimi Billingsley  
Pablo's Birthday Gallery, New York, NY
- “Near Sighted, Far Out: Video Art Festival #003**  
curated by Nicole Caruth  
Harvestworks Digital Media Center, New York, NY
- “On the Move”-Video Screening, curated by Jennifer Wilkey**  
The Everson Museum of Art  
Syracuse, NY
- “OpenCall”**

Emerging Video Art  
Cheekwood Museum of Art, Nashville, TN

**“Over the Rainbow”**  
curated by Sisun Song  
NEXT I(s) Art Project, Seoul Korea

**“Red Hook Internation Film and Video Festival”**  
curated by Daniel Durning  
Red Hook, Brooklyn, New York

2007

**“Particulate”**  
curated by Chris Coleman  
Lumpwest, Eugene, Oregon

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curated by Chris Coleman  
Vox Populi, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**“Perpetual Art Machine 2006-2007: YEAR ONE”**  
Coachella Music and Arts Festival  
Palms Springs, California

**“Video Art in the Age of the Internet”**  
Co-curated by Nina Colosi and PAM  
Chelsea Art Museum, New York, NY

**“Viewer's Choice Award”**  
Featured Artists-Cinema Scope  
curated by Perpetual Art Machine Scope New York, New York, NY

**Adding Insult to Injury”**  
Kipp Gallery  
Indiana University of Pennsylvania Indiana, PA

2006

**“Adding Insult to Injury”**  
Central Missouri State University  
Warrensburg, MO

**Creative Thrift Shop**  
Nova Art Fair  
City Suites Hotel, Chicago, IL

**“Fabula”**  
Mushroom Arts  
New York, NY

**“Monkeytown Semiennial”**  
Monkey Town  
Williamsburg, Brooklyn

**Pablo's Birthday-Featured Artist**  
DIVA ART NEW YORK  
Embassy Suites, New York, NY

**“The Pursuit of Happiness”**  
curated by Christopher Howard  
Sarah Bowen Gallery

Williamsburg, Brooklyn

**“The Social Body”**

curated by David Gibson  
Rocket Projects Miami, Fl

**The 1st Annual FEVA Pantheon Gala**

New York, NY

2005

**“Beautiful Dreamer”**

curated by David Gibson  
Spaces, Cleveland, Ohio

**“Cinema Scope”**

curated by Lee Wells  
SCOPE ART 2005, Southampton, NY

**“Culture Vulture”**

curated by David Gibson  
Jack the Pelican, Williamsburg, NY

**“Multiple Partners”**

curated by Carla Gannis  
Pablos Birthday, New York, NY

**Pablo's Birthday**

Scope Art 2005  
Flatotel, New York, NY

**Pablo's Birthday**

Scope Art 2005  
TownHouse, Miami, Fl

**Photo New York**

Creative Thrift Shop  
New York NY

**“Style Sessions”**

curated by William Quigley  
Milk Gallery, New York, NY

**“Xsemination”**

curated by John Derrick  
University of Tasmania, Launceston, Tasmania