

Brendan Body - Senior / Lead Animator

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Experience

Double Negative : December 2010 – Present

- **John Carter of Mars** (film), currently working as an animator on this Pixar / Disney feature which is due for release in 2012.

Animal Logic : January 2009 – September 2010

- **Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole** (film), lead animator, my responsibilities included working closely with the animation director to choreograph scenes and oversee a team of 7 animators.

Was involved in pre-production tests and had a large role in developing the style of the bird flight for the film. Created many of the characters' flight cycles for the rest of the animation team to use.

Framestore Feature Animation : April 2008 – September 2008

- **The Tale of Despereaux** (film), animated a variety of characters in this animated feature.

Double Negative : March 2007 - March 2008

- **Hellboy 2: The Golden Army** (film), involved in pre-production tests and pre-vis, continuing through to full shot production.

- **The Dark Knight** (film), involved in pre-production animation tests and for the 'Batpod' vehicle.

Framestore : February 2007 - March 2007

- **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix** (film), was the sole animator on the Howler character in this feature.

Animal Logic : October 2005 - October 2006

- **Happy Feet** (film), was a lead animator on the main character, Mumble.

Framestore : Sept 2000 - Aug 2005

- **Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire** (film), animated the Grindylows in the film's underwater sequence.

- **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory** (film), animated squirrels in the film's 'nut room' sequence.

- **Charlotte's Web** (film pitch) worked on a sequence of shots with a rat character in a pitch for this feature.
- **Dragons' World: A Fantasy Made Real** (tv), animated dragons and a Tyrannosaurus in this TV special.
- **Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban** (film), animated Buckbeak the hippogriff. Involved pre-production tests, continuing through to shot production.
- **Tesco 'Carrie says her bit'** (commercial), animated Carrie, a talking shopping trolley.
- **Johnnie Walker 'fish'** (commercial), animated the realistic swimming humans.
- **Audi 'drink like a fish'** (commercial), animated the John Dory fish.
- **Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets** (Film), animated the pixies, basilisk, and 'Fawkes' the phoenix.
- **Dinotopia** (tv miniseries), animated a variety of creatures and the Messenger Bird character.

Education

Duncan of Jordanstone College 1996-2000, where I obtained a 2.1 B.Des(hons) Degree in Animation & Electronic Media.

Software

Maya, Softimage XSI, Shake, Photoshop and Premiere.

Misc

From September to December in 2008 I was a guest lecturer on the animation course at at Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art. Where I gave lectures and workshops on animation as well as helping students with their projects.

My blog (brendanbody.blogspot.com) on which post examples of my work and theories on animation receives over three and a half thousand visits a month.

Entered 10secondclub.net's on line animation competition for March 2006, I came second.

In July 2008 my idea, 'Lemmings', was chosen as the concept for Framestore's ident, which was to be shown in the cinema in front of their films, as well as on the Internet.

References available on request