

# ABDULMALIK BUKHARI

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

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Award-winning, festival-selected 3D animator and character artist (Pratt BFA, 2026) with 6+ years across modeling, animation, previsualization, and visual storytelling — now combining traditional CG with generative-AI tools (Runway, Midjourney, Sora). Skilled in Blender, Maya, Unreal Engine, and Photoshop, and quick to adapt in fast-paced, experimental, sprint-based production.

## SKILLS

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**Traditional CG / Animation:** Blender, Maya, Unreal Engine, Photoshop, 3D Character Modeling, Animation, Rigging, Previsualization, Visual Storytelling

**Generative AI:** Runway, Midjourney, Sora — concept & style frames, AI-assisted motion exploration; learning ComfyUI / diffusion workflows

**Production / Design:** After Effects, Nuke, Unity, Substance Painter, Video Editing, Graphic Design, Branding

## EXPERIENCE

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### 3D Character Modeler — UPG, Washington, May 2025 – Aug 2025

- Designed high-detail 3D character models for a mobile card game, improving visual fidelity and pipeline consistency.
- Rigged and animated character assets for promotional content and supported a smoother Blender-to-Unity workflow.
- Prepared production-ready assets with attention to topology, readability, animation needs, and iterative feedback.

### 3D Animation Intern — BlackMist VFX Company, Riyadh, SA Jun 2024 – Aug 2024

- Created Blender-based animation and client-facing previsualization for upcoming VFX projects.
- Worked alongside VFX and simulation artists, picking up Embergen, LiquidGen, and production previs workflows on the fly.
- Contributed animation ideas and visual problem-solving during early-stage, fast-moving project development.

### Video Editor & Graphic Designer — Mmather, Riyadh, SA, Jan 2020 – Jan 2021

- Produced social graphics and video assets for a nonprofit supporting Saudi Vision 2030 initiatives.
- Collaborated with designers and editors on promotional visuals, brand assets, and online campaign materials.

### Co-Owner, Branding & Finance — Al-Jawi Food Truck, Khobar, SA Sep 2019 – Feb 2020

- Helped launch a family business — branding, advertising, market research, budgeting, and operations.

## EDUCATION

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Pratt Institute — BFA, 3D Animation, Brooklyn, NY, May 2026

Ringling College of Art and Design — Pre-College, 3D Animation & Motion Design, Jul 2021

## AWARDS & SCREENINGS

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- Best 3D BFA Story Award — Pratt Institute, Department of Digital Arts, 2026 (Curse of the Ring).
- Best Saudi Animation Film — MBC Academy / Effat International Student Film Festival, 2025 (Midnight Snack).
- Official Selection — Red Sea International Film Festival, New Saudi Cinema, 2025 (Midnight Snack).