

Karson Monger

Animator | Videographer | Editor | Cartoonist

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Education

VCU School of the Arts - Class of '23

Kinetic Imaging BFA (Animation, Video, Sound)

Major GPA - 3.953

Dean's List - Spring 2020, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023

Summer Residential Governor's School for Visual & Performing Arts - Radford University, 2017

Experience

- **First We Feast** - New York, NY

~September 2025 - Present

Animator

- **Light House Studio** - Charlottesville, VA

~Summer of 2020 & 2019

Filmmaking Mentor

- **PBS** - Henrico County, VA

~Spring 2019

Filmmaking Mentor

Skills

- Adobe Animate, Premiere, After Effects, Audition, Maya, Toon Boom Harmony, Final Cut Pro, Dragonframe

- 2D hand-drawn, frame-by-frame animation. Incredibly fast animator who is dedicated and committed to each and every project.

- Directing, storyboarding, writing, comedy, character design, foley

Award-winning films, Screenings, Exhibitions & Notable works

- **Club Video** (2025) - Experimental Comedy Video Show - Brooklyn, NY
- **To Ascend** (2024) - Group Narrative Film Project (3 person team)
 - Winner: Adrenaline Film Project - Virginia Film Festival
- **Adrenaline Film Project** (2024, 2015, 2014 & 2013) - Virginia Film Festival, Charlottesville, VA
- **... How are you Feeling Today?** Screening (2023) - Byrd Theatre, Richmond, VA
- **Award of Excellence in Kinetic Imaging** (2023) - Depot Annex Courtyard, Richmond, VA
- **Behold The Magnificent** Exhibition (2023) - Murry N. DePillars Gallery, Richmond, VA
- **"24 HOURS" Animation Contest** (2022 & 2019)
- **Digital Media Gallery** Exhibition (2016) - Second Street Gallery, Charlottesville, VA
- **Light House Studio Youth Film Festival** (2016) - Paramount Theater, Charlottesville, VA
- **Circus Klown** (2016) - Solo hand-drawn, frame-by-frame 2D Animation Project
 - Official Selection: Garden State Film Festival
 - Official Selection, Student Filmmakers Category: Arlington International Film Festival
 - Honorable Mention, Animation Category: Sarasota Film Festival
 - Finalist: New York Festivals World's Best TV & Film
 - Finalist: Children's Film Festival Seattle
 - Finalist: All American High School Film Festival
 - Finalist: The Newport Beach Film Festival
 - Finalist: Santa Monica International Teen Film Festival
- **Working Dead** (2015) - Group Narrative Film Project (5 student team)
 - Winner: Best Comedy at the Rockland Youth Film Festival
 - Best Writing: Blue Ridge Young Filmmakers Festival
 - Finalist: Irvine International Film Festival
 - Finalist: Another Hole in the Head Festival in San Francisco IndieFest
 - Finalist: Progeny Film Festival
 - Finalist: Seattle International Film Festival, FutureWave Shorts Program
- **Rogue Taxidermy** (2015) - Group Narrative Film Project (4 student team)
 - Runner-Up: ACTION! HS Director Competition, Virginia Film Festival
 - Finalist: Rockland Youth Film Festival
 - Finalist: William and Mary Global Film Festival
 - Finalist: Blue Ridge Young Filmmakers Festival
 - Finalist: Irvine International Film Festival
- **Lemonade Standoff** (2014) - Group Narrative Film Project (4 student team)
 - Finalist: New York Festivals World's Best TV & Film
 - Finalist: Children's Film Festival Seattle
 - Runner Up: CINE Golden Eagle Award
 - Finalist: CineYouth Chicago International Film Festival
 - Finalist: deadCENTER Film Festival
 - Finalist: Englewood International Film Festival
 - Finalist: Irvine International Film Festival
 - Finalist: KIDS FIRST! Film Festival
 - Finalist: National Film Festival for Talented Youth
 - Finalist: Rockland Youth Film Festival
 - Finalist: Santa Monica International Teen Film Festival
 - Honorable Mention: The Virginia Student Film Festival
 - Finalist: Washington DC Independent Film Festival
 - Runner-Up: ACTION! HS Director Competition