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Demo Reel Breakdown

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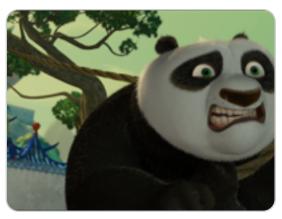
Shot 1: Kung Fu Panda - Trailer Shot

Description: Worked on all elements. Characters and environment lit with direct lights & global illumination. Animated comp finesses look of characters while in the sky.



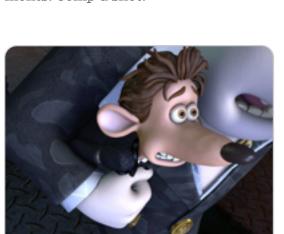
Shot 4: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit Panda and Oogway with minor adjustments to crowds and set. Comp'd shot.



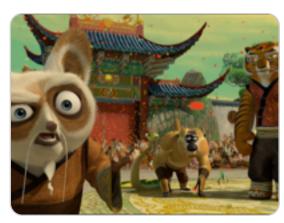
Shot 2: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit Panda, rope FX, tree, and minor work on background elements. Comp'd shot.



Shot 5: Flushed Away

Description: Lit characters, minor tweaks to environment. Comp'd shot.



Shot 3: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit all main characters with adjustments to crowds and set. Comp'd shot.



Shot 6: Flushed Away

Description: Lit characters and environment. Comp'd shot.

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Shot 7: Flushed Away

Description: Lit environment, sub, characters on sub. Underwater light effect achieved in comp.



Shot 10: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit/comp'd Shifu, crowds, and environment. Implemented sequence-wide system of fast depth testing for accurate confetti FX comp.



Shot 8: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit main characters, comp'd shot.



Shot 11: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit Panda and props with minor tweaks to crowds and set. Comp'd shot.



Shot 9: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit main characters, comp'd shot.



Shot 12: Shark Tale

Description: Lit main characters, minor work on bg chars and set. Comp'd shot.

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Shot 13: Shark Tale

Description: Used rig from Shot 12, made minor tweaks. Comp'd shot.



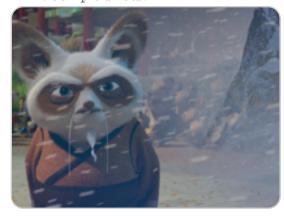
Shot 16: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit all characters with tweaks to crowds and set. Comp'd shot.



Shot 14: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit bedroom sequence. Used rig to light first 3D sequences of KFP. Comp'd shots.



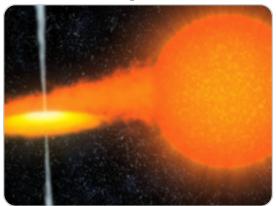
Shot 17: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit Shifu, tweaked crowds, et. Constructed comp to animate transition from confetti theatre shot to snowy mountain shot.



Shot 15: Kung Fu Panda

Description: Lit Panda, Oogway and crowds with minor lighting adjustments to set. compn'd shot.



Shot 18: Binary Stellar Evolution

Description: Wrote Maya Python/MEL scripts to read stellar evolution simulation data, used it to drive modeling, surfacing, and animation of stars. Comp'd in Shake.

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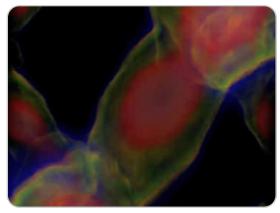
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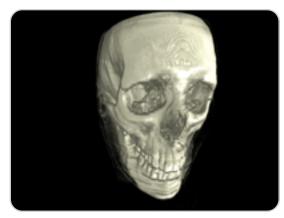
Shot 19: Single Star Evolution

Description: Wrote Maya Python/MEL scripts to read stellar evolution simulation data, used it to drive modeling, surfacing, and animation of single star system. Supernova effect achieved through animated Shake script. Stellar winds/flares achieved in comp. Reference circles indicate star size. Paint FX in Maya used to create starry background.



Shot 20: Jeans Instability

Description: Volume rendering of stellar gas collapse. I wrote the Render-Man volume shader in RM Shader Language and C. Volumetric data generated by University of Chicago.



Shot 21: Severe Head Trauma CAT Scan

Description: Interactive volume rendering of CAT scan data from University of Chicago Surgery Division.
Wrote GLSL ray-marching shader. Isosurface normals calculated interactively and used for lighting calculations.

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Tools used on Kung Fu Panda and Flushed Away

Proprietary lighting tool (Light) and proprietary compositing tool (Comp) as well as proprietary pipeline tools for generating global illumination lighting caches, ambient occlusion maps, shadow maps, environment maps, camera depth maps, motion and depth of field blur generation, and more.

Tools used on Shark Tale

Maya was used in tandem with a proprietary add-on called LUIGI for lighting. mental ray was used for global illumination and ambient occlusion. Shake was used for compositing. These were all used together with additional proprietary pipeline tools.

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Tools used on Scientific Visualizations

Code written in emacs. Jeans Instability renderer used RenderMan libraries and ran on SGI supercomputers. Shockwave Cylinder and Severe Head Trauma renderers used OpenGL linux libraries.

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