# **Personal Computer Graphics Projects**

## "Dreamseasons" Blender Music Video Animation

Jan. 2024 - Oct. 2024

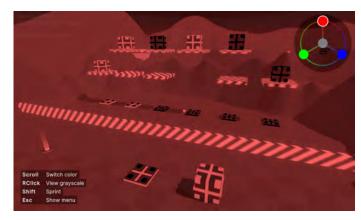
Designed and created a fully animated music video (3 min 33 sec) in Blender 4.2 in collaboration with an illustration artist. The 10-month-long project was an extensive experimentation of character animation, non-photorealistic rendering and post-processing techniques, aiming to replicate hand-drawn, cartoonish aesthetics. Blender's animation and geometry nodes were heavily utilized to set up 12 different dynamic environments.

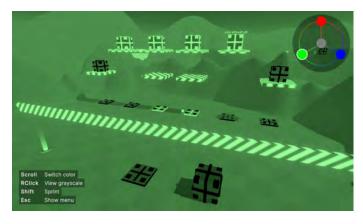


# "Spectral Affinity" Shader Puzzle Game Development

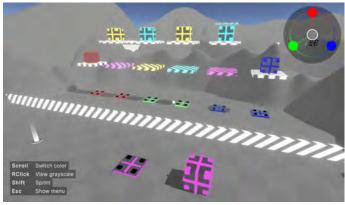
Feb. 2023 – May 2023

Designed and developed an puzzle game prototype in Unity as a 2-week Major Design Experience project at University of Michigan. The core game mechanic is a monochrome filter that can change surrounding objects' physical properties based on their apparent luminosity. The viewport color filter is implemented with a Full Screen Pass Renderer Feature from Unity's Universal Render Pipeline. The luminosity-driven physics system is implemented based on Unity's Shader Graph and custom-made HLSL functions.









## **Text-to-Image AI Model Experimentation**

Nov. 2021 – Aug. 2022

Experimented with prompt text engineering on some early image generation models available to the public, including *Deep Daze*, *Big Sleep*, OpenAI *DALL*·E 2 and *Stable Diffusion*.











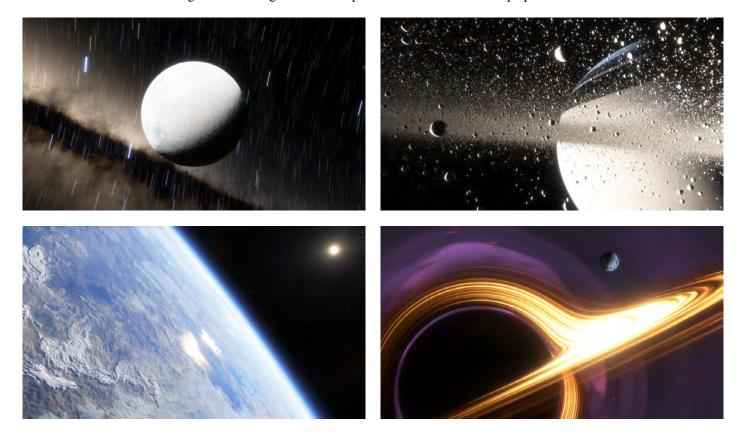




# **Deep Space Celestial Bodies Visualization**

Dec. 2018 – Jul. 2022

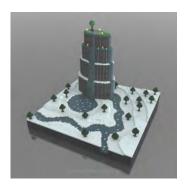
Designed and rendered deep space-themed scenes with *SpaceEngine*, utilizing its versatile high-level scripting system that translates into GLSL to generate configurations and procedural textures for deep space celestial bodies.



"963: A Fragment of Worlds" Voxel Structure Design

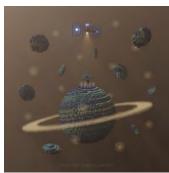
Jul. 2019 – Jun. 2022

Modeled and rendered a series of 6 scenes (4 shown) with MagicaVoxel, utilizing its principled BSDF material engine and stochastic sampling ray-tracing renderer. Each scene is constrained to a  $96 \times 96 \times 96$  voxel space (due to MagicaVoxel's chunk size limit) and selectively demonstrates the visual effects of diffuse, reflective, refractive, emissive and volumetric material. All models and rendered images were released at the project's GitHub repository.





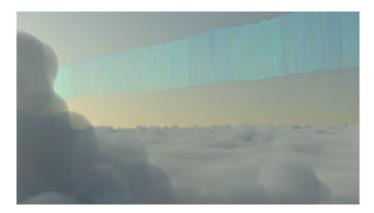


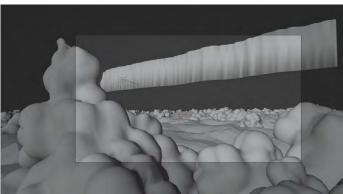


## **Blender-Based Model and Material Design**

Apr. 2019 - Jun. 2019

Designed an "aurora over a sea of cloud" scene in Blender 2.81 and rendered with its built-in *Cycles* engine. This scene involved rigorous experimentations with Blender's node-based material system (to create the "aurora" shader) and particle distribution modifier (to repeat, scatter and randomize individual "cloud" fragments).



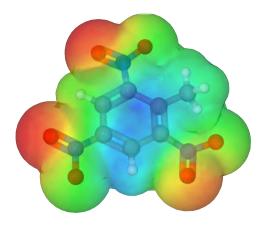


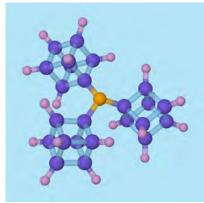


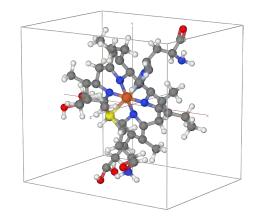
#### **Molecular Structure Visualization**

Apr. 2018 – May 2019

Generated ball-and-stick and space-filling models for 44 covalent and coordination compounds (3 shown) in *Jmol* and rendered with *POV-Ray* renderer. The goal of this project was to produce more visually pleasing and intuitive study materials for my high school chemistry course.







#### **Planetary Landscape Design**

Sep. 2017 - Oct. 2017

Procedurally-generated and rendered exoplanet-like terrain with *MojoWorld Generator 3*, utilizing its fractal-based land-scape builder and eroder.





**Bryce-Based Environment and Material Design** 

Sep. 2009 - Sep. 2013

Designed and rendered scenes with *Bryce 5*, *Bryce 6.3* and *Bryce 7*. A total of 209 images (3 shown) and 6 videos were produced over the course of 4 years, featuring an assortment of imaginary objects and sceneries as a preliminary exploration of computer-rendered 3D environments.

