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## **Filming the Fantastic: A Guide to Visual Effects Cinematography**

Routledge

The classic reference, with over 25,000 copies in print, has been massively expanded and thoroughly updated to include state-of-the-art methods and 400+ all-new full color images! "At ILM, compositing is one of the most important tools we use. If you want to learn more, this excellent 2nd-edition is detailed with hundreds of secrets that will help make your comps seamless. For beginners or experts, Ron walks you through the processes of analysis and workflows - linear thinking which will help you become deft and successfully tackle any shot." --Dennis Muren ASC, Senior Visual Effects Supervisor, Industrial Light & Magic "Ron Brinkman's book is the definitive work on digital compositing and we have depended on this book as a critical part of our in-house training program at Imageworks since the 1999 Edition. We use this book as a daily textbook and reference for our lighters, compositors and anyone working with digital imagery. It is wonderful to see a

new edition being released and it will certainly be required reading for all our digital artists here at Imageworks." -- Sande Scoredos, Executive Director of Training & Artist Development, Sony Pictures Imageworks The Art and Science of Digital Compositing is the only complete overview of the technical and artistic nature of digital compositing. It covers a wide range of topics from basic image creation, representation and manipulation, to a look at the visual cues that are necessary to create a believable composite. Designed as an introduction to the field, as well as an authoritative technical reference, this book provides essential information for novices and professionals alike. 17 new case-studies provide in-depth looks at the compositing work done on films such as Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, The Golden Compass, The Incredibles, King Kong, The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King, Sin City, Spider-Man 2, Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit, and Star Wars: Episode 3 - Revenge of the Sith. Includes new sections on 3D compositing, High Dynamic Range (HDR) imaging, Rotoscoping, and much more! All disc-based content for this title is now available on the Web. 17 new case-

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[Hybrid Animation](#) Springer Science & Business Media

Artist imaginations continue to grow and stretch the boundaries of traditional animation. Successful animators adept and highly skilled in traditional animation mediums are branching out beyond traditional animation workflows and will often use multiple forms of animation in a single project. With the knowledge of 3D and 2D assets and the integration of multiple animation mediums into a single project, animators have a wealth of creative resources available for a project that is not limited to a specific animation medium, software package or workflow process. Enhance a poignant scene by choosing to animate the scenic background in 2D while the main character is brought to life with 3D techniques. Balance the budget demands of a project by choosing to integrate a 2D or 3D asset to save time and expense. Choose which medium *Hybrid Animation*, learn the systematic development of the 2D and 3D assets and the issues surrounding choices made during the creative process.

### **Color Correction Look Book**

Routledge

*Nuke Codex: Nodes within Nodes* is a fundamental approach to learning Foundry's Nuke software, the most

powerful compositing tool in the world. *Nuke Codex* uses a core structure to take you through everything from workflow to advanced topics in a unique hybrid way that will get you up to speed over a few days. If you want to learn Nuke, this is the book for you!

[Digital Visual Effects in Cinema](#) CRC Press

Market\_Desc: · Video Game Artists· Animators· Effects Specialists· Game Developers· Industrial And Architectural Designers· Broadcast And Multimedia Designers· Instructors · Students  
 Special Features: · The only book that covers the art of mental ray, the leading digital rendering program distributed with every major 3D software package. Estimated reach is over 500,000 users· mental ray is the built-in renderer for Maya, 3ds max, and XSI 3D software solutions, the three most popular digital animation and effects programs on the market· The book is aimed at high-end professionals and students anxious to master mental ray· A 16-page color insert showcases final rendered images of the studio quality seen in films like *The Brothers Grimm*, *The Day After Tomorrow*, and *The Matrix Revolutions*· The CD includes models, textures, and fully rendered samples. It also provides value-added HD images (worth \$50 apiece in other packages), MEL plug-ins for Maya and XSI to convert cameras for generating terrains (\$100 value), and other valuable plug-ins · Curriculum guides are also available for training centers and schools that teach mental ray  
 About The Book: This is a one-stop resource for the keys to rendering with mental ray that 3D artists can't get anywhere else. The book shows how to create stunning, highly realistic images with mental ray using the most popular 3D programs, with a focus on helping

artists make informed decisions on advanced lighting and workflow issues that will transform their creations into studio quality photo-realistic characters, objects, and landscapes. The tutorials have been developed and tested in the author's professional studio, as well as in the classroom, providing artists with the level of expertise they need to stay current and students with cutting-edge know-how to take to their job hunt.

**RESCUE YOUR MOM** Pearson Education

Expand your knowledge of the aesthetics, forms and meaning of motion graphics as well as the long-running connections between the American avant-garde film, video art and TV commercials. In 1960 avant-garde animator and inventor John Whitney started a company called "Motion Graphics, Inc." to make animated titles and logos. His new company crystalized a relationship between avant-garde film and commercial broadcast design/film titles. Careful discussion of historical works puts them in context, allowing their reappearance in contemporary motion graphics clear. This book includes a thorough examination of the history of title design from the earliest films through the present, including Walter Anthony, Saul Bass, Maurice Binder, Pablo Ferro, Wayne Fitzgerald, Nina Saxon, and Kyle Cooper. This book also covers early abstract film (the Futurists Bruno Corra and Arnaldo Ginna, Leopold Survage, Walther Ruttmann, Viking Eggeling, Hans Richter, Oskar Fischinger, Mary Ellen Bute, Len Lye and Norman McLaren) and puts the work of visual music pioneers Mary Hallock-Greenewalt and Thomas Wilfred in context. *The History of Motion Graphics* is the essential textbook and general reference for understanding how and where the field of motion graphic design

came from and where it's going.

**Digital Compositing with Nuke** Taylor & Francis

Create vibrant visual effects with Adobe After Effects. Gain the tips, tricks, and applied knowledge you need to carry out essential visual effects tasks and bring your digital compositing to the next level. In *Compositing Visual Effects in After Effects*, industry veteran Lee Lanier covers all the common After Effects techniques any serious visual effects artist needs to know, combining the latest, professionally-vetted studio practices and workflows with multi-chapter projects and hands-on lessons. Engaging, full-color tutorials cover: Altering resolutions and frame rates Channel and color space manipulation Rotoscoping and masking Matchmoving and motion tracking Keying green screen Working in the 3D environment and integrating 3D render passes Particle simulation Color grading and distressing Expressions and project management The companion website

([www.focalpress.com/cw/lanier](http://www.focalpress.com/cw/lanier)) features video image sequences, 3D renders, matte paintings, and other tutorial materials, allowing you to immediately apply the techniques taught in the book. **The History of Motion Graphics** Pearson Education

Covers the basics of Adobe After Effects, from color correction and keying to selection methods and motion tracking and provides tips and techniques to help readers become more productive with the program.

**The VES Handbook of Visual Effects** Morgan Kaufmann

A complete update to the popular Autodesk Official Training Guide for Maya Maya is the industry-leading 3D animation and effects software used in movies, visual effects, games, cartoons,

and other animation. This bestselling, official guide is a must for 3D beginners who want a thorough grounding in this dynamic and complex software. Fully updated for the newest version of Maya, the book explains the interface and the basics of modeling, texturing, animating, dynamics, visualization, and visual effects. Fun and challenging tutorials lead you through the nuances of the software and offer plenty of chances to practice what you've learned. The Autodesk Official Training Guide for Maya, endorsed and promoted by Autodesk to its 2,500 Authorized Training Centers worldwide Maya is the 3D animation and effects software used in the film, game, and advertising industries; it's a complex program and this book gives beginners the knowledge and confidence they need Shows how to master the interface and the basics of modeling, texturing, animating, and visual effects Step-by-step tutorials offer realistic, professional challenges for those new to 3D and those switching from another 3D application Materials are available for instructors who want to use this guide with their students Introducing Autodesk Maya is the perfect guide to get you up and running on the world's most popular professional 3D application.

*Complete Maya Programming Volume II*  
Springer Science & Business Media  
This practical, hands-on guide addresses the problems and difficult choices that professional compositors face on a daily basis. You are presented with tips, techniques, and solutions for dealing with badly shot elements, color artifacts, mismatched lighting and other commonly-faced compositing obstacles. Practical, in-depth lessons are featured for bluescreen matte extraction, despill operations, compositing operations, as

well as color-correction. The book is presented entirely in an application-agnostic manner, allowing you to apply lessons learned to your compositing regardless of the software application you are using. The DVD contains before and after examples as well as exercise files for you to refine your own techniques on. New to the 3rd edition is an entirely new chapter entitled 'CGI Compositing Techniques', covering how the modern CGI production pipeline is now pushing many tasks that used to be done in the 3D department into the compositing department. All technological changes that have occurred between now and the publication of the 2nd edition are covered, as well as new media on the DVD and corresponding lessons within the book.

**Digital Compositing with Blackmagic Fusion** John Wiley & Sons

Annotation Everything you need to know to become a professional VFX whizz in one thorough and comprehensive guide.

**The Outpost** Pearson Education

This is a concise and informal introductory book on the mathematical concepts that underpin computer graphics. The author, John Vince, makes the concepts easy to understand, enabling non-experts to come to terms with computer animation work. The book complements the author's other works in the series (Essential Computer Animation fast and Essential Virtual Reality fast) and is written in the same accessible and easy-to-read style. It is also a useful reference book for programmers working in the field of computer graphics, virtual reality, computer animation, as well as students on digital media courses, and even mathematics courses.

*The Complete Guide to Photorealism for*

*Visual Effects, Visualization and Games*  
John Wiley & Sons

The 'Color Correction Handbook' covers a wide variety of techniques that can be used by colourists, no matter what system they're using. From the most basic methods for evaluating and correcting an overall image, to the most advanced targeted corrections and creative stylizations typically employed, this book covers it all.

### **Digital Visual Effects and**

**Compositing** Pearson Education

Produce mind-blowing visual effects with Autodesk Maya. Gain the practical skills and knowledge you need to recreate phenomena critical to visual effects work, including fire, water, smoke, explosions, and destruction, as well as their integration with real-world film and video. In *Creating Visual Effects in Maya*, Maya master Lee Lanier has combined the latest studio techniques with multi-chapter, hands-on projects and professionally-vetted workflows to bolster your CG toolkit. Engaging, full-color tutorials cover: Creating foliage, fire, and smoke with Paint Effects Growing Maya Fur and nHair on clothing, characters, and sets Replicating water, smoke, sparks, swarms, bubbles, and debris with nParticles and nCloth Controlling scenes and simulations with expressions and MEL, Python, and PyMEL scripting Adding dust, fog, smoke, rippling water, and fireballs with Fluid Effects containers Creating damage with Effects presets, deformers, and animated textures Matchmoving and motion tracking with Maya and MatchMover Creating complex destruction by combining rigid bodies, nParticles, nCloth, and Fluid Effects Setting up, rendering, and compositing mental ray render passes with Autodesk Composite, Adobe After Effects, and The

Foundry Nuke The companion website ([www.focalpress.com/cw/lanier](http://www.focalpress.com/cw/lanier)) features a treasure trove of Maya, MatchMover, After Effects, and Nuke project files, image sequences, texture bitmaps, and MEL, Python, and PyMEL scripts, allowing you to immediately apply the techniques taught in the book.

### Torture Porn Morgan Kaufmann

This is the only book to focus exclusively on the creation of visual effects for After Effects, and is a one-stop resource for anyone who wants in-depth explanations that demystify the realm of visual effects and how they were created, thanks to veteran author Mark Christiansen's friendly and accessible style. A thoroughly packed, informative read, this masterful guide focuses on explaining the essential concepts, features, and techniques that are key to creating seamless movie-quality visual effects. Users who are comfortable with After Effects will find a helpful review of the fundamentals—managing footage, viewing and editing layers, animating type, and more—so they can learn how to work smarter and more efficiently. Readers of all levels will learn core techniques for effects compositing including color matching, keying, rotoscoping, motion tracking, emulating the camera, and concluding with using expressions in After Effects, written by contributor and expert Dan Ebberts. The final section of the book delves into creative explorations, demonstrating professional effects that readers might want to re-create. Readers will also find comprehensive coverage of all that's new in CS6, including variable mask feathering, Rolling Shutter Repair, Camera Tracker, and the new ray-traced 3D rendering engine which allows users to quickly design in 3D space. Included with the book are files used for many of

the techniques in the book: Sample clips and projects include HD footage from Pixel Corps and Artbeats, as well as demos of plug-ins that you can use to experiment with in your own effects. All of Peachpit's eBooks contain the same content as the print edition. You will find a link in the last few pages of your eBook that directs you to the media files.

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#### The Digital Matte Painting Handbook

Wildside Press LLC

David Gould's acclaimed first book, *Complete Maya Programming: An Extensive Guide to MEL and the C++ API*, provides artists and programmers with a deep understanding of the way Maya works and how it can be enhanced and customized through programming. In his new book David offers a gentle, intuitive introduction to the core ideas of computer graphics. Each concept is explained progressively and is fully implemented in both MEL and C++ so that an artist or programmer can use the source code directly in their own programs. Geometry and modeling are covered in detail with progressively more complex examples demonstrating all of Maya's possible programming features. David Gould's first volume is widely regarded as the most

authoritative reference on Maya programming. Volume II continues this tradition and provides an unmatched guide for the artist and programmer tackling complex tasks. Covers a spectrum of topics in computer graphics including points and vectors, rotations, transformations, curves and surfaces (polygonal, NURBS, subdivision), and modeling. Offers insights to Maya's inner workings so that an artist or programmer can design and develop customized tools and solutions. Discusses problem solving with MEL (Maya's scripting language) and the more powerful and versatile C++ API, with plenty of code examples for each.

#### Adobe After Effects CS6 Visual Effects and Compositing Studio Techniques

Pearson Education

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**Introducing Autodesk Maya 2013** CRC Press

Learn professional secrets of digital compositing with this detailed guide After filming is done, digital compositors move in to manipulate color, retouch, and perform other behind-the-scenes tricks that are necessary to improve or finalize movies, games, and commercials. Now you can learn their secrets with this one-of-a-kind guide to digital compositing. Professional animator and author Lee Lanier not only draws upon his own experience, he has also combed some of Hollywood's most active post-production houses in search of the best solutions. Learn valuable techniques, tricks, and more. Covers techniques for digital compositing including transformations, plate preparation, rotoscoping, advanced render passes, particle integration, 2.5D painting, HDRI, stereoscopy and more Shows you digital compositing techniques that can be applied to a variety of software tools, including After Effects and Nuke Includes a DVD with scenes, sample bitmaps, image sequences, and more Start your animation career right with the solid instruction in postproduction you'll find

in this practical guide. Note: CD-ROM/DVD and other supplementary materials are not included as part of eBook file.

**Adobe After Effects CC Visual Effects and Compositing** Walter Foster Pub

First Published in 2012. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

**The Visual Effects Arsenal** Rutgers University Press

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**Compositing Visual Effects** Zorba Books

A new edition of Bloop Animation's popular animation guidebook packed with the latest recommendations and insights on how to turn your artistic passion into a professional film career! If you are an aspiring animator considering a career in film production or are curious about what it takes to make animated shorts, this is the book for you!

Animation for Beginners is a comprehensive and modern introduction to the art and business of 3D animation from Bloop Animation founder, filmmaker, graphic novel author, and teacher Morr Meroz. With this guide, Meroz reveals a behind-the-scenes view of the pre-production, production, and post-production process along with an

introduction to the skills you need and the different types of animation across the film industry. Along with these basics, you will learn: The 12 Principles of Animation The 8 Genres of Animated Shorts Writing an Animated Feature Film Career Paths for Animators and Tips on Starting a Career in Animation As a graduate of the School of Visual Arts and an animation professional, Meroz

demystifies the business side of filmmaking with real-world advice for creating a compelling demo reel and portfolio site, hunting for a first job, and considering the pros and cons of freelancing versus working full-time. This is a perfect gift for illustrators, graphic designers, film students, and film industry professionals interested in how to "make it" as animators.