Augusto Castillo

Motion Designer

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3D generalist with experience creating cinematic visuals for broadcast, campaigns, and brand storytelling. Skilled in Cinema 4D, Houdini, Blender, and After Effects, working across the full production pipeline from modeling and texturing to lighting, animation, rendering, and compositing.

SKILLS	3D Softwares	3D Skills		Adobe Creative Suites
	C4D	Modeling	Texturing	After Effects
	Houdini	Lighting	UV Unwrapping	Premiere Pro
	Blender	Simulations	Rendering	Photoshop
		Animation	3	Illustrator

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

3D Designer & Animator

BIGSTAR Motion Graphics Studio | 2025

- Designed and animated 3D scenes and assets for broadcast and campaign projects, working across the full production pipeline from modeling and texturing to lighting, animation, and rendering in Cinema 4D.
- Composited final shots in After Effects, integrating 3D renders with motion graphics, color adjustments, and visual effects for polished, on-brand deliverables.
- Collaborated with creative directors and producers to translate concepts into cinematic visuals under tight deadlines.
- · Client Work: CNN, History Channel

Senior Staff Gemologist

Gemological Institute of America | 2016 - 2024

- Expertise in analyzing gem materials to determine natural or synthetic origins, treatments, and geographic provenance using advanced industry-standard equipment such as FTIR, UV-VIS, ED-XRF, Raman, and LA-ICP-MS.
- Published articles in Gems & Gemology that advanced industry research and knowledge.
- Investigated emerging gem treatments and provided client education in both English and Spanish, effectively bridging technical insights with accessible communication.
- Trained new hires, teaching advanced gem identification techniques, equipment operation, and effective communication.

Lab Technician & Field Operator

Menlo Energy Florida, LLC | 2013 - 2014

EDUCATION

University of South Florida

Bachelors of Science - Biology

Gemological Institute of America

Graduate Gemologist Diploma (GG)

The Gemmological Association of Great Britain

Fellow of the Gemmological Association (FGA)