



JOE BLUHM

Joe is a designer, director, illustrator, writer, painter, and storyteller working in animation, advertising, literature, and fine art.

Swaybox Studios, New Orleans, LA — Art Director

April 2023 - present

Art Director for *DYNAMIC DUO*, WB/DC feature film.

- Director
- Art Director
- Story Artist
- Character Designer
- Concept Artist
- Illustrator
- Writer

Picture Book Illustrator — Simon & Schuster, Penguin-Random House

2012 - present

The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore – 2012

The Magician's Secret – 2018

Dear Sister – 2018

The Great Dinosaur Sleepover – 2025

Academy Award

The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore

TONIC DNA, Montreal, Quebec, Canada — Creative Director, Writer

January 2021 – December 2022

Writer, director, designer, story artist, art director, and concept artist for various short film and advertisement spots, pitches, and features.

Emmy Awards, AD Guild Award, Cannes Lion

Chipotle - *The Scarecrow*

HowdyBot, Shreveport, LA — Story and Design

February 2019 – August 2020

Conceiving story, treatments, and concept art with William Joyce for books, short films, and undisclosed features.

NYTimes Bestseller, Christopher Award, Comstock Award

The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore (book)

Starlings Entertainment, Los Angeles, CA — Designer

September 2017 - February 2019

Concept art and Character design for undisclosed animated feature.

Swaybox Studios, Shreveport, LA — Co-Director, DP, Art Director, Story lead

August 2015 - May 2017

Responsible for overseeing design of characters, sets, and look of picture, as well as fabrication, art direction, cinematography, compositing, and general visual direction of an undisclosed puppet drama short film.

TONIC DNA, Montreal, Quebec, Canada — *Writer, Director, designer*

February 2016 – December 2018

Writer, director, designer, story artist, art director, and concept artist for various short film and advertisement spot, pitches, and features.

MOONBOT Studios, Shreveport, LA — *Art Lead, Story Lead, Director, Designer*

April 2009 - July 2015

Art Department lead. Art Director, Story Lead, Illustrator, Designer, and Director for various projects. Responsible for character design, concept art, storyboards, animatics, adapting content, illustrating books, designing apps, managing teams, and directing short films, as needed.

SO Animation, New York, NY — *Character Design, Art Direction, Story*

September 2007 - January 2009

Responsible for design, modeling, texturing, and directing execution of characters for CG short adverts, designing television pitches, concept art, and story for various short productions.

Cleveland Institute of Art (CIA) — *Illustration Major* — 1999-2002