

# ZARAH NAJMI

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## SUMMARY

3D and technical art student pursuing a degree in Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communications seeking job opportunity to gain hands-on experience. Outgoing and friendly with strong motivation for success.

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

**Expected in 05/2024 Bachelor of Fine Arts:** Arts, Technology, and Emerging Communications  
**The University of Texas at Dallas** – Richardson, TX  
Concentration: Animation and Games  
Cumulative GPA: 3.93

## SKILLS

- Team player
- Decision-making
- Flexibility and adaptability
- Working collaboratively
- Interpersonal and organizational skills
- Oral and written communication
- Strong attention to detail
- Team management
- Project Management
- Friendly, positive attitude

## SOFTWARE SKILLS

- Photo editing and drawing in Adobe Photoshop 8+ years
- Adobe Illustrator 5+ years
- 3D texturing in Substance Painter 1+ years
- Knowledge of office management software such as Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook, and Gmail
- 3D modeling, UV unwrapping, lighting in Autodesk Maya 4+ years
- Video editing with Adobe Premiere, After Effects, and Davinci Resolve
- Visual FX in Houdini and Nuke 2+ years
- Familiarity with Zbrush
- Familiarity with Java and Python
- Some familiarity in C# and Lua

## EXPERIENCE AND VOLUNTEERISM

**05/2023 to 12/2023 Student Assistant**

**University of Texas at Dallas** – Richardson, TX

- Assisted in the creation of a new course that aimed to teach Python, catered towards digital artists.
- Edited video lectures in Davinci Resolve.
- Created labs to help students grasp Python concepts through activities and challenges relevant to digital art.
- Worked with fellow student assistants to help tutor students of the course during office hours.

**01/2023 to Present**

**Coding Coach**

**Code Wiz** – Plano, TX

- Guide aspiring young coders in developing solutions to complex problems and helping develop critical thinking and software development skills.
- Constantly working with students, (some of whom are special needs), 1-on-1 and in groups of 3-5, in fostering creativity through coding and game design in various game design software such as Unity, Minecraft, and Roblox and using various coding languages such as Java, C#, Lua, and Python.

**10/2021 to Current**

**Tutor Volunteer**

**Muslim Student Association** – Richardson, TX

- Created a comfortable tutoring environment conducive to learning.
- Assisted students on finding useful study methods to enhance academic performance
- Provided one-on-one and group tutoring instruction for 3-6 students each week

- Assessed student progress at each session, making recommendations that increased effectiveness of tutoring and lessons.

05/2017 to 05/2020

**Volunteer**

**Volunteers in Plano** – Plano, TX

- Engaged with others successfully using strong verbal and written communication skills
- Volunteered to help with special events and programs by checking in participants and giving directions
- Worked in setting up and cleaning up event venues, and kept facilities organized, clean and well-maintained to best meet program needs
- Supervised and created an engaging environment for children with disabilities.
- Worked with groups of approximately 10-20 children or event participants, alongside teams of 3-5 volunteers.

LANGUAGES

**Gujarati:**



Limited

**ASL:**



Elementary

PORTFOLIO

- <https://zarahnajmi.com>