

# Mike Pappa

Filmmaker / Storyboard & Concept Artist / Production Designer / Animator  
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## DIRECTOR:

**A Crimson Man** (short) 2017  
**Frankie** (short) 2011  
**Sick Of It All: Relentless** (music video), Fat Wreck Chords, 2003  
**Sick Of It All: The District** (music video) Fat Wreck Chords, 2001  
**The Elite** (animated short) 2001

## ART DEPARTMENT / VFX:

### FEATURES

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| <b>A Man in the Dark</b> 2018<br><i>VFX Artist</i>   | dir. Josh Lobo / Yellow Veil Pictures                   |
| <b>Ayla</b> 2017<br><i>Concept Art, Key Art</i>  | dir. Elias Ganster / Clayface Pictures                  |
| <b>Just Before I Go</b> 2015<br><i>Storyboard Artist, Illustrator: "Wammy" Creature Design</i>                     | dir. Courteney Cox / New Artists Alliance               |
| <b>Prism</b> 2015<br><i>Art Director: Los Angeles</i>  | dir. Cal Robertson / Interstitial Productions           |
| <b>Solomon Grundy</b> 2013<br><i>VFX Artist</i>  | dir. Mattson Tomlin / Bedouin Features                  |
| <b>Citizen Hearst</b> 2012<br><i>Archival Designer, Animator</i>   | dir. Leslie Iwerks / Leslie Iwerks Prod.                |
| <b>The Normals</b> 2012<br><i>Assistant Property Master, Graphics</i>  | dir. Kevin Patrick Connors / Woodshed Ent.              |
| <b>Gut</b> 2012<br><i>Graphics: Prop Posters, Key Art</i>  | dir. Elias Ganster / Gut Productions                    |
| <b>Diana Vreeland: The Eye Has to Travel</b> 2011<br><i>In between Animator</i>                                    | dir. Lisa Immordino Vreeland / Gloss Studio             |
| <b>Bellclair Times</b> 2005<br><i>Art Department Researcher</i>  | dir. Chris Williams / Bellclair Prod. LLC               |
| <b>The Legacy of Walter Frumm</b> 2005<br><i>Assistant Property Master</i>   | dir. Jordan Schachter / Oil and Water Films             |
| <b>American Carny: True Tales from the Circus</b> 2008<br><i>Animator, Key Art (2008 version and 2013 version)</i> | dir. Nick Basile  |
| <b>December Ends</b> 2006<br><i>Assistant Property Master</i>  | dir. Lee Toland Krieger / 72 <sup>nd</sup> Street Prod. |

### SHORT FILMS

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|--|---|
| <b>High Score</b> 2019<br><i>Production Designer</i>   | dir. Melissa Balint                       |
| <b>A Crimson Man</b> 2017<br><i>Writer, Storyboard &amp; Concept Art, VFX Artist, Key Art</i>            | dir. Mike Pappa                           |
| <b>Virtual High</b> 2016<br><i>Storyboard Artist</i>   | dir. Camille Stochitch / Alexander Berman |
| <b>Bad Plus</b> 2016<br><i>Production Designer</i>   | dir. Doug Hurley                          |
| <b>Rene</b> 2015<br><i>Production Designer</i>   | dir. Mattson Tomlin / Big Monster         |
| <b>Waste Paper</b> 2015<br><i>Lead Storyboard Artist, Concept Art</i>                                    | dir. Derrick D. Pete                      |
| <b>Against Night</b> 2015<br><i>Add'l VFX</i>  | dir. Stefan Kubicki / Cynium              |
| <b>The Daughters of Eve</b> 2015<br><i>Production Designer, Concept Artist, VFX Artist</i>               | dir. Jessica Keith / Warrior Dance Films  |
| <b>Persuasion</b> 2014<br><i>Production Designer, Storyboard &amp;, Concept Art, VFX Artist, Key Art</i> | dir. Mattson Tomlin / AFI                 |
| <b>The Wild, the Child &amp; the Miracle</b> 2014<br><i>VFX Artist</i>                                   | dir. Cal Robertson / AFI                  |
| <b>Father</b> 2014<br><i>VFX Artist</i>  | dir. Hanna Vastinsalo / AFI               |

**Backlash** 2014  
*Storyboard Artist*  
**Family on Board** 2014  
*Set Dresser, Key Art*  
**Experiencer** 2013  
*Production Designer*  
**Horns** 2013  
*Production Designer*  
**Silence** 2013  
*Construction Coordinator, Add'l Graphics*  
**Cause of Death** 2013  
*Production Designer, Concept Artist, VFX Artist*  
**BRUISER** (short) 2012  
*Production Designer, Concept Artist, VFX Artist, Key Art*  
**Morpheus** (short) 2012  
*Graphics*  
**Frankie** 2011  
*Production Designer, Storyboard & Concept art, VFX Artist, Writer, Key Art*  
**Michaels Closet** 2011  
*Production Designer, Concept Artist, VFX Artist*  
**B- Listed** 2011  
*Art Director, Graphics: Poster, Digital Compositor*  
**Holier Than Thou** 2007  
*Storyboard Artist: additional sequences*  
**Broken Promises** 2004  
*Character Design, Layout, Storyboards*  
**Kosmos** 2004  
*Production Design Assistant*  
**The Elite** (short) 2001  
*Writer, Lead Animator, Production Designer*

TV / COMMERCIALS / VIDEO

**The Bizarre World of Frank Zappa Tour** 2019 (music video)  
*Illustrator*  
**Khalid: Better** 2018 (music video)  
*Storyboard Artist*  
**Twenty-one Pilots: Jumpsuit** 2018 (music video)  
*Storyboard Artist*  
**Elley Duhe** 2017 (music video)  
*Art director*  
**White Castle** 2017 (commercial)  
*Fabricator*  
**Fli Charge** 2016 (commercial)  
*Production Designer*  
**If Parents Were Honest About You Going To College** 2016  
*Storyboard Artist*  
**Gillete** 2016  
*Storyboard Artist*  
**Trying Things** 2016  
*Storyboard Artist*  
**Couples Debate** 2016  
*Art Director*  
**Dog Brunch** 2016  
*Art Dept. Assistant*  
**A Love Letter From Your First Car** 2015  
*Production Designer*  
**All Guys** 2015  
*Art Dept. Assistant*  
**Proof That We're Living In The Future** 2015  
*Storyboard Artist*  
**BMW: Showbike** 2015 (commercial)  
*Art Director*  
**The Explorer** 2015 (commercial spec)  
*Assistant Fabricator, Scenic*

dir. Alexander Jackson  
dir. George Pogatsia / 5 Red Pictures  
dir. Cal Robertson / AFI  
dir. Mattson Tomlin / AFI  
dir. Mattson Tomlin / AFI  
dir. Brian Ronaghan  
dir. Mattson Tomlin  
dir. Josh Eschevarria  
dir. Mike Pappa  
dir. Mathew Grenzebach  
dir. Dan Puzio  
dir. Ethan James Duff / Pink & Green Prod.  
dir. Jeremy Taylor  
dir. Travis Frick  
dir. Mike Pappa / School of Visual Arts  
dir. Pat Giles / Zappa Family Trust  
dir. Andrew Donoho / Diktator  
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dir. Clare Gillen  
dir. Brian Haimes / Lair + White Castle  
dir. Jonny Zeller / KOLAB + Fli Charge  
Buzzfeed + Discover  
dir. Dan De Lorenzo / BuzzFeed + Gillette  
dir. Brad Woolf / BuzzFeed + OIKOS  
dir. Katie Pyne / BuzzFeed + Taco Bell  
dir. Dan De Lorenzo / BuzzFeed + Purina  
dir. Ian Lynch / BuzzFeed + Geico  
dir. Dan De Lorenzo / BuzzFeed + Gillette  
dir. Jesse Burton / BuzzFeed + Disney  
dir. Jonny Zeller / Sweatpants Media  
dir. Brian Haimes

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| <b>History Channel + Sam Adams</b> 2015 (commercial)<br><i>Fabricator, Scenic</i>                                      | dir. Brian Haimés / Lair               |
| <b>Purina + BuzzFeed</b> 2014 (video)<br><i>Animator, Digital Composer</i>   | Buzzfeed Productions                   |
| <b>Toyota / Animal Planet</b> 2014 (commercial)<br><i>Scenic</i>   | dir. Steven Weinzierl / LAIR           |
| <b>History Channel + KIA MOTORS</b> 2013 (commercial)<br><i>Scenic, Miniature Fabrication</i>                          | dir. Thor Raxlen & Brian Haimés / LAIR |
| <b>History Channel + Univ. of Phoenix</b> 2013 (commercial)<br><i>Miniature Fabrication, Scenic</i>                    | dir. Thor Raxlen & Brian Haimés / LAIR |
| <b>Pacewon: Something to Say</b> 2013 (music video)<br><i>Animator, Digital Composer</i>                               | dir. Anthony Sylvester                 |
| <b>Ink Masters</b> (TV) 2012<br><i>Art Department Swing</i>  | Original Media                         |
| <b>Hezekiah: All I Need, Julian Jones: When You Sleep</b> 2012 (music videos)<br><i>Digital Composer</i>               | dir. Anthony Sylvester                 |
| <b>History Channel + Direct TV</b> 2012 (commercial)<br><i>Miniature Fabrication, Scenic</i>                           | dir. Thor Raxlen / LAIR                |
| <b>Gogurts – Diary of a Wimpy Kid</b> 2012 (Commercial)<br><i>Digital Composer</i>                                     | Saatchi & Saatchi                      |
| <b>History Channel + Hyundai</b><br><i>Miniature Fabrication, Scenic</i>   | dir. Thor Raxlen / LAIR                |
| <b>Freckleface Strawberry: The Musical</b> 2012 (commercial)<br><i>Digital Composer, Animator</i>                      | Elementary Films                       |
| <b>Digitarian: Ignore Your Passion</b> 2005 (commercial)<br><i>Animator, Designer</i>                                  | dir. Zach Mortensen / Ghost Robot      |
| <b>Sick Of It All: Relentless</b> (music video) 2003<br><i>Lead Animator, Storyboard Artist, Production Designer</i>   | dir. Mike Pappa / Fat Wreck Chords     |
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#### ILLUSTRATION

Film poster: **The Bizarre World of Frank Zappa** 2019, **Wendigo** 2018, **The Hollow** 2018, **A Crimson Man** 2017, **Ayla** 2017, **Dark** 2015, **Persuasion** 2014, **Phobia** 2013, **Horror of H.P. Lovecraft** 2013, **BRUISER** 2012, **Frankie** 2012.

logo design for **Master Cases** 2018, **Money Good** podcast 2015, **Vicious Niche Media** 2012 & **Wicked, Wicked Hammerkatz** 2006

Artwork for **The Hollywood Reporter** 2016, **Piñata Smash** app 2011, **Playkast** icons/concept work 2011

Album artwork: **Murder by Death - In Bocca al Lupo** 2006, **Sick of It all - Life on the Ropes** 2003, Album artwork +12pg comic **Sick of It all - Live in a Dive** 2002, **Ten Years From Now - Santa Claus is Dead** 2002

DVD cover & T-shirt design for the **4th Militia Group** music video DVD release *Homesick*

Band T-shirt designs: **Murder by Death** (Eyeball Records) and **Poison the Well** (Atlantic Records)

Adwork: **Sprite's Liquid Mix Tour**, 2003, Poster design for **Trust kill Records** 2002

#### SOFTWARE SKILLS

**Adobe Photoshop, After Effects, Adobe Premiere**

#### EDUCATION

**School of Visual Arts**, NYC BFA (Film & Animation) 1997-2001 \*SVA Dusty Award for Best 2D Animation, 2001

#### EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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| <b>Art Director</b> - Longtail Studios + Ubisoft  | NYC / Quebec / Halifax (May 2005 – May 2010) |
| <b>Motion Picture Processing</b> - Pac Lab        | NYC (Sept 2004 - May 2005)                   |
| <b>Construction/Carpentry</b> - Jabs Construction | Woodbridge, VA (Dec 2001-March 2003)         |