



## Gameplay Animator (Mid-Level or Higher)

Are you super passionate about hand animating characters and truly breathing life into them? Can you bring out their quirky personalities and make it emotionally resonate with players while delivering innovative gameplay mechanics?

Velan Studios is a growing independent game developer focused on bringing ground-breaking new game experiences to existing and emerging game platforms. We are building a world-class development studio of developers who can blow game-players away with work that is both innovative and unconventional.

We are looking for an experienced and passionate animator to join our team. If you're brimming with curiosity and ready to create the best work of your career, we want to hear from you!

### Responsibilities

The ideal candidate is a versatile animator with strong hand-keyed animation skills and an eye for humor and energy in their animation work. We're looking for someone who has experience with tight, gameplay animation and the ability to assist with storytelling moments. The Animator will work in a small production team with the Game Director, Art Director, Character Artists, Animators and Gameplay Programmers to create eye-opening, visually captivating experiences.

### Qualifications

- 3+ years of game/film industry experience as an Animator
- Strong in gameplay animation
- Strong acting skills
- Experience with rigging and skinning characters, creature, and props
- Experience working in Unreal, Unity, or other AAA engines.
- Strong working knowledge in Maya
- Self-driven and proactive in problem solving
- You must be an excellent collaborator, passionate, scrappy, and deeply curious.
- Has shipped one or more games/films

### Big Plusses

- Scripting experience
- Character modeling expertise
- Storyboarding and animatic development experience
- Motion-matching or other modern techniques for character animation in games
- Strong Game Design sensibilities

To apply for this position, please send your resume, cover letter and a portfolio with descriptions of the work showcased to [jobs@velanstudios.com](mailto:jobs@velanstudios.com). Be sure to reference the position you're applying for in the subject line.

### About Velan Studios:

*Velan Studios' mission is to create ground-breaking game experiences centered on new forms of play across both existing and emerging platforms. Velan Studios is an independent studio comprised of a diverse team of seasoned developers who have worked at various AAA studios like Vicarious Visions, Naughty Dog, Harmonix, Nintendo, Disney/Pixar, Toys For Bob, Avalanche Studios, Retro Studios and more. Velan Studios is based in Troy, NY.*