

Heather Benson

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Education

2014-2017 BFA Sculpture, University of Houston, Houston, TX

2013-2016 Stan Winston School of Character Arts, LA California

Scholarships / Awards / Honors / Residencies

2017 (Film Award) Best Special Effects Makeup Feature Film – San Antonio Film Festival

2017 (Film Award) Best Special Effects Makeup Feature Film – Crimson Film Award

2017 (Film Award) Best Special Effects Makeup Feature Film – 13HORROR

2017 2k Gilmos Art Scholarship

2016 13th place in the World at World Body painting Competition Austria

2014 2k Honorary Scholarship, University of Houston, Houston, TX

Exhibitions

2018 Monsterpalooza, Friends Beauty booth, Makeup demos

2018 Monsterpalooza Museum, Hanar Vollan Hybrid Alien bust

2016 WORLD BODYPAINT COMPETITION, Austria

2016 RAW ARTIST, Houston, TX

2014 Psychedelic Art Gallery, Oakdale California

2013 Exhibition, South Park Annex, University of Houston, Houston, TX

Employment (<http://www.imdb.com/name/nm8106384>) IATSE Union

2018 The Walking Dead (TV Series)

Special makeup effects artist / creature makeup / background walkers

2018 Fig (Feature Film)

Wardrobe department head / practical effects

2018 Arisis (Music video)

Department head of special effects makeup, practical effects, creature makeup and costume design

2018 Ouroboros (Music video)

Department head of special effects makeup, creature creator, costume design

2018 Rumspringa Prelude (Short Film)

Makeup and costume department head

2017 Universal Studios Creative

Prop Shop artist/fabrication, Sculptor, Scenic Artist, Painter, Fabrication

2017 Isabel (Feature Film)

Department Head / Special effects and Practical effects makeup artist Director Paul Wesley (Vampire Diaries) Austin Nichols (Walking Dead)

2017 Stirring (Feature Film)

Department Head / Special effects and Practical effects makeup artist

2016 Party Night (Feature Film)

Department Head / Special effects and Practical effects makeup artist

2016 Captured (Feature Film)

Department Head / Special effects makeup artist

2016 Roach (Feature Film)

Department Head / Special effects makeup artist / 1st AC

2016 Goodnight Texas (TV Pilot)

1st AC

2016 Special FX makeup WBF 2016

Created special effects makeup and fabrication for World Body Painting Competition in Austria

2010-present Saphira Amourr FX (Owner)

Special effects makeup artist / creature creator / body painter / costume design
For Film / TV / Theater

Related Skills

Software Adobe Creative Suite, Photoshop, Dragon frame, Imovie

Fabrication Woodworking, welding, basic construction techniques, vacuum forming, sewing, mold making, ultra cal 30, easy flow 120, epoxy resins

3D printing, laser cutting, prosthetic, sculpture, costume design, worbla cosplay