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Government of Trinidad and Tobago JOB DESCRIPTION CONTRACTUAL POSITION

JOB TITLE: ANIMATOR

JOB SUMMARY:

The incumbent is responsible for creating compelling animations to support the Ministry's/Department's/Agency's communication initiatives, programs, and messages.

REPORTS TO:	Head — Corporate Communications or designated officer
SUPERVISION GIVEN TO:	N/A

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Develops and produces animations and motion graphics for Ministry projects, including public service announcements, educational videos, and social media content.
- Creates character sketches for new animations based on design briefs.
- Develops storyboards for animation projects;
- Designs backgrounds, sets and other elements of the animated environment;
- Develops timing and pacing of motion based on audio requirements.
- Works with the story editors to merge the various layers of animation;
- Records dialogue for the animation, where necessary:
- Collaborates with other creatives, including designers, photographers and other animators, to finalize projects.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of digital marketing design, focusing on social media, online banner advertising, motion design, video editing, visual design, typography, layout, image retouching, and digital storytelling. Proficient in Adobe Creative Suite, particularly Adobe After Effects, Premiere, Photoshop, Illustrator, and adept at using Mac OS. Experience with HTML5 ad authoring tools, such as Google Web Designer, for creating interactive and engaging online advertisements. Understanding of social media platforms and best practices, ensuring content is optimized for each platform's unique audience and format.

	 Comprehensive knowledge of the 12 principles of animation, such as staging, timing, ease in, ease out, and anticipation, to create fluid and dynamic animations. Familiarity with color theory, applying principles to create visually harmonious and appealing designs In-depth understanding of mathematical and geometric concepts, essential for accurate and aesthetically pleasing visual compositions
SKILLS AND ABILITIES:	 Crafts engaging motion graphics for various applications. Develops informative and visually appealing explainer videos Ensures alignment with the Ministry's graphic design and animation standards Completes all assigned tasks within set deadlines, demonstrating strong time management and organisational skills
	 Develops storyboards and mock-ups, visualising concepts and ensuring alignment with project goals and client expectations Generates creative ideas for animation pieces, focusing on key messages, target audience identification, and goal setting to achieve impactful results Sets technical specifications for animations, determining the appropriate format, size, and style to meet project requirements and objectives Performs related duties

MINIMUM EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:

- Minimum of two (2) years' experience in digital motion/video-editing/graphic design.
- Training as evidenced by a recognised University degree in animation, film, television, photography, illustration, 3D/graphic design or computer/computer-aided engineering or a related field.
- Postgraduate qualifications in animation will be an asset.
- Any equivalent combination of qualifications and experience.