

# Ross Ozarka

## Animator, Filmmaker

### EXPERIENCE

#### **Animated Segment Content Creator**

Kea Kids News - Luke Nola and Friends

Aug 2019 - Present - 6 years, Auckland

Wrote, directed, animated 300+ educational shorts totaling 5 hours of run time for New Zealand's most popular kid's program. My work aired on Nickelodeon NZ, Prime, and TVNZ+.

#### **Animator**

Worry Watchdog - Think and Be Me

November 2023 - 1 month, Auckland

Wrote, directed, animated a series of shorts to teach children Cognitive Behavioral Therapy. Completed 30 minutes of animation in one month.

#### **Animator**

Night Freaks - Ila Films

2020-2022 - 2 years, Auckland

Worked closely with acclaimed NZ director David Blyth using animatics to develop ideas for a multimedia project. Created 15 minutes of finished animation.

### EDUCATION

#### **Bachelor, Film and Television**

Savannah College of Art and Design

2010 - 2013, Georgia, USA

### AWARDS

#### **Oops, I Murdered the Person the Person I Like Likes**

Best Screenplay, Cartoons on the Bay 2023

#### **Under My Skin**

V48Hours New Zealand Grand Finalist 2024

Streaming on Cabane à Sang TV

#### **Canniversary**

TromaDance 2024

Vision Feast NZ Retrospective Vision award winner

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#### **Tools**

DaVinci Resolve, Nuke, Dragonframe, Reaper, ProTools, Photoshop, After Effects, Premiere, Photoshop, Blender, Storyboard Pro, Harmony, ComfyUI, GIMP, Google Analytics, Wordpress

#### **Tech**

HTML, CSS, Python, Windows, Mac, Linux

#### **Languages**

English (native)

French (B2)

#### **Right to Work in:**

USA, New Zealand,

Australia

#### **Demo Reel**

[vimeo.com/rossozarka/reel2026](https://vimeo.com/rossozarka/reel2026)

#### **Social**

*Youtube:* @Sealami-

Cardboard-Movies

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