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A new opportunity for post secondary studies has arrived in the Comox Valley. For all aspiring digital animation artists, **Mark Benard** of **Lost Boys Studios** has returned to set up shop in his hometown and will be offering tutoring of 3D Animation and Visual Effects.

Benard created internationally acclaimed **Lost Boys Studios**, one of Canada's top animation and visual effects boutiques, known for its innovation and creative flair. Clients include **Miramax, MGM, CBC, Electronic Arts, Vivendi Universal Games, Midway Games, Walt Disney Television Animation, Coca-Cola, Pepsi, Bacardi, Toyota, Visa** and **REM**, to name a few.

Heading up the Visual Effects Stream at the prestigious **Vancouver Film School** during 2004-2005, Benard developed curriculum including designing visual effects production projects, from the live-action shoot through 3D, through the final composite.

Says Benard, "I grew up in the Comox Valley. When I was 19 I moved to Vancouver to chase my dream of becoming a 3D Animator. Now that the film industry has expanded beyond the traditional Hollywood North boundaries I can work and share my experiences here on the Island."

At Lost Boys Learning, a division of Lost Boys Studios Inc., he will offer tutoring at various levels, starting with the foundation 3D program including modeling, texturing, animation, lighting and effects. Programs will be offered in 15-week modules, each leading to a Certificate, demo reel and job placement assistance. Post secondary students proficient in computer skills and with a keen interest in a career in 3D animation, visual effects or videogames are encouraged to apply.

Full program description and application form are available on the Lost Boys Learning website at www.lostboys-learning.com or by calling 250.339.9645. More information about Lost Boys Studios is available at www.lostboys-studios.com.

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