

Yana Mikhailava

Visualization Artist & Creative Technologist

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Creative technologist and visualization artist building immersive experienced from real-time systems, custom software tools, and physical computing. Practice grounded in fine art, architecture and computational design with a focus on interactive visuals, projection mapping, digital fabrication and audiovisual performance.

SKILLS & TOOLS

Real-time Development & Creative Coding

TouchDesigner, Max/MSP, Unreal Engine, GLSL, html, python scripting

3D Fabrication

SketchUp, Rhino, Grasshopper, 3D Printing

Physical Computing

Arduino IDE, Sensors & Microcontrollers

Visualization & Post Production

Photoshop, Illustrator, Aftereffects, Lightroom, 3D Rendering

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Design (Honours)

Digital Futures, OCAD University
Toronto, ON · 2022-2026

AWARDS

Jeff Watson Memorial Digital Futures Award

OCAD University, 2026

EXHIBITIONS

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| 2026 | Designing a Humane Future,
DMX Toronto |
| 2026 | GradEx 111, OCAD University |
| 2019 | Our Sustainable Future,
Aga Khan Museum |
| 2019 | GLITCH: Unsilent Night,
Cambridge, ON |
| 2016 | CONTACT Photography Festival,
The Ismaili Centre, Toronto |

WORK EXPERIENCE

Freelance Graphic Designer

Self-employed, Toronto, ON · 2021 - 2026

- Guided first time design clients through projects from brief to final delivery.
- Built-up a repeating client base through word-of-mouth.
- Designed event posters, infographics, client presentations, custom graphics and social media marketing content.

Architectural Visualization Co-op & Independent Contractor

IBI Group, Waterloo, ON · Jan 2020 - Sept 2020

- Produced architectural visualizations for landscape, civil engineering, and architecture teams.
- Collaborated with architects and landscape architects on 3D models and drawings for construction, expansion, and development projects.
- Designed infographics and visual aids for client meetings, official documents, and communications.
- Lead an in-house workshop on real-time architectural visualization rendering and post-processing techniques.

Psychologist's Assistant & Front Desk Representative

Alliance Diagnostics and Treatment, Vaughan, ON · 2020 - 2021

- Coordinated patient bookings and administered testing checklists; liaised between clinic, patients, lawyers, and insurers.
- Formatted and submitted clinical reports to insurance agencies.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Frederic Roberts Photography Workshop

Ismaili Centre, Toronto, ON · August 2015 - 2019

- Student of photojournalism with a focus on telling community stories.
- Graduated to a mentor position teaching manual photography techniques.
- Appeared on CBC Morning Live as a workshop ambassador.
- Year-round online participation with workshops every other year.
- Commitment to intermittent community event photographer roles.

OCADU Spring Market Vendor & Organizer

OCAD University, Toronto, ON · May 2025

- Participated as an organizer of the OCADU Spring Market.
- Acted as a vendor, welcomed guests, answered questions and sold original work.
- Designed, user-tested and fabricated a unique decorative hydroponic microgreens planter which was offered and sold-out within the two day duration of the Spring Market.