StoryboardingAdded Value in Pre-Production

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Storyboards—Definition

Series of Images or Illustrations (like comics strips)

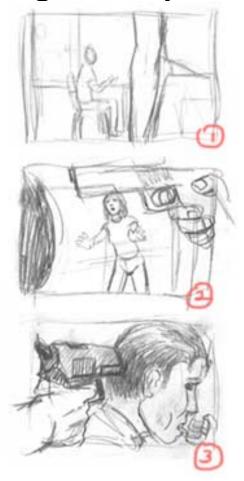
- Still Visual Layouts of events
- Often have text description--tied to script
- Often have graphics that represent movement and camera details

Value Proposition--Graphic Organizers

- A Process of Pre-Visual Thinking of Scenes
- A Structure for creative development
 - » One step closer from abstract ideas to a concrete products
 - » Keeps Groups on Same Page
- Allows problem solving before beginning production

Storyboards—Definition

Usage Example:









Storyboards—Origins

- First used for Animation by Disney—1930
 - Precursor of Animatics
- Adapted to Live Action Films in 1940s
- Evolved for use in Software Products in the 1980's

Storyboard Uses—Really any Pre-Visualization

- Some Linear uses—More Traditional
 - Animations
 - Films
 - Music Videos
 - Commercials
 - F/X shots
- Some Interactive Uses—New Adaptations
 - Games
 - Instructional Design
 - Web Content

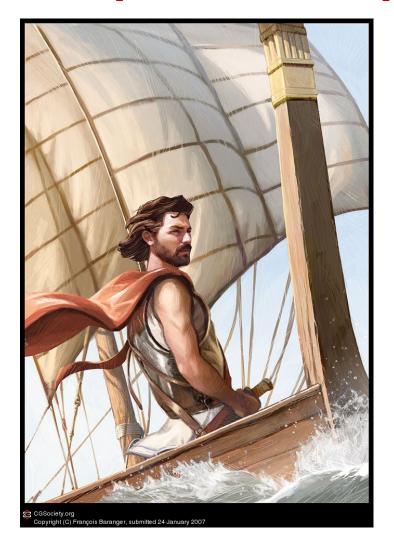
Simplified Pre-Production Pipeline (Process)

- Pipeline:
 - Script
 - Concept Art (look and feel docs)
 - Scratch Sound/Audio Track
 - Storyboards
 - Animatics
- Iterative and Overlapping Processes

Scripts

Skipping over Scripts

Concept Art Examples-- Look and Feel







Concept Art Examples







Storyboard Example

• Many Types and Styles and this is one Example:



More Storyboard Examples









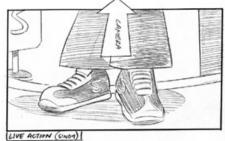








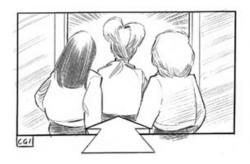
















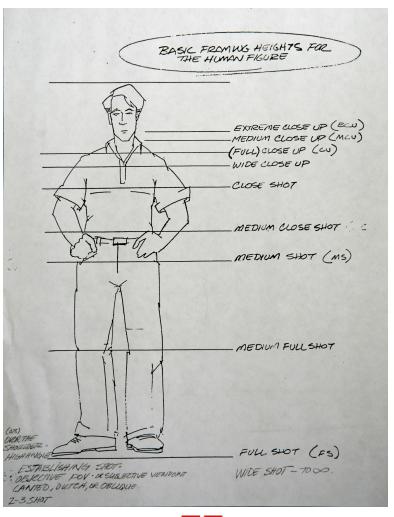


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Animatics—Often Begin with Soundtracks and Storyboards

- Soundtrack (scratch track)
- Starts with stills from storyboard timed to the Soundtrack
- Timing issues worked-out before time consuming production begins
- Framework for audio and visual groups to combine work by replacing segments of animatic with next level of production work
- Examples--YouTube "animatics"

Storyboards—The Camera Concept





Storyboards—Techniques and Styles

- Analog Vs Digital
- Illustration
 - Rough (quick sketch) Vs Tight (refined)
 - Markers
 - Pencils
 - Computers (Photoshop, Painter, etc)
- Photo Montages
 - By hand and/or in PhotoShop
 - Using magazines, web image searches, quick renderings of 3D, your own photos and even screen prints from HL2
 - Garry's Mod

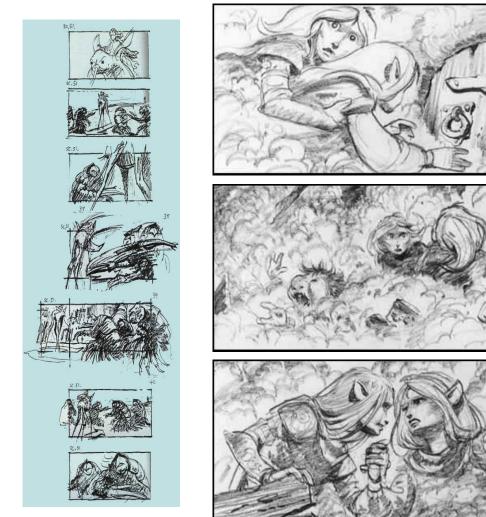


Storyboards—Techniques and Styles

- Mixed-media/tools and techniques
 - Markers, Pencils, Paint etc.
 - Tracing (over any images that work)
 - Copy Machines
 - Prints
 - Literal "cut and paste"
 - Computer--PhotoShop, painter, illustrator etc.
 - Iterations and mixing
- Graphic information
 - Arrows for camera or actor movement
 - Text to explain details or even parts of script
 - Colors for emphasize



Storyboards—Steps of Refinement

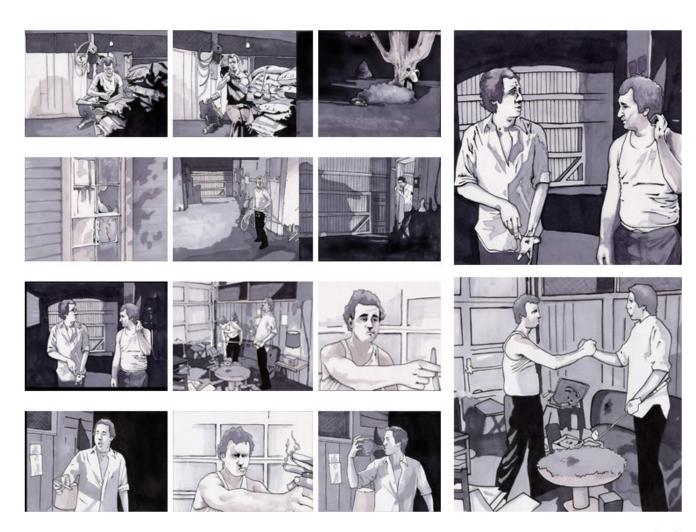










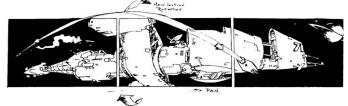


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Storyboards—It is all about the Camera





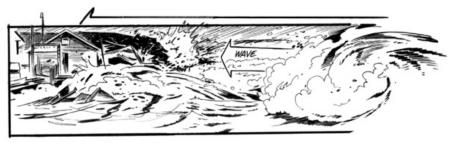








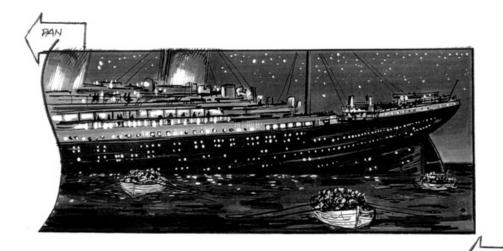


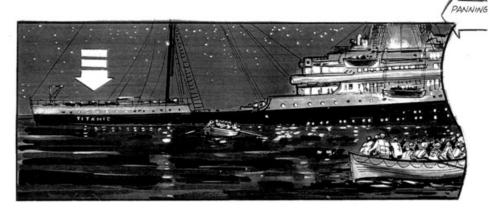


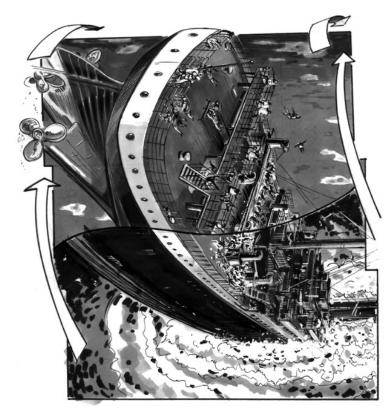




Storyboards—Detailed Examples









Storyboards—A final Word







