

## Join us!

Learn how to present your ideas with the power of animation! Join the five-day free online course by EKA Summer Academy to take your future presentations to the next level with Blender and help to advance positive changes for higher education.

Students from [Transform4Europe](#) alliance universities can apply to participate in the online course. The member universities are:

- Saarland University
- University of Alicante
- Estonian Academy of Arts
- University of Silesia in Katowice
- Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski
- University of Trieste
- Vytautas Magnus University

The animation summer course takes place 11 – 17 August 2021.

Applications are open until 1 August.



By instructor Hleb Kuftseryn

## About

The summer course is for anyone who wants to enhance their storytelling and presentation skills with animation. During the five-day international course, participants from seven universities will gain a basic understanding of how 3D animation works.

With a focus on typography, the students will learn the essential tools that make 3D objects move. Multiple workshops will offer practical exercises to gain knowledge about versatile animation principles and techniques to create outstanding presentations with animated texts. In addition, participants will learn how to use key frames and eases and how rigid body physics works.

As a result, through the use of learned tools and gained skills, students will work on the vision of a future university campus and create animated video presentations by working as a group.

What needs to change and what are the qualities espoused by a renowned higher education environment? Each university will create and present their vision in an animated video project. The videos will be made with the assistance of two instructors.



## By participating you will

- Learn storytelling principles and narrative techniques
- Discover strategies for compelling visual presentation
- Learn to create 3D animated texts with Blender
- Acquire the fundamentals of Blender animation software
- Enhance the reflective and critical thinking of higher education perspectives

## Instructors

The course is created by [Estonian Academy of Arts](#). EKA Summer Academy together with the Department of Animation will offer Transform4Europe alliance universities an opportunity to learn basic animation skills. The animation course is the first project presented by Transform4Europe.



### Hleb Kufsteryn

is an animator and motion designer who works in the sphere of commercial and non-commercial animation. His work experience consists of projects for Belarusian, Lithuanian and Russian animation studios on festival and children's cartoons along with freelance and studio work on commercial applied animation.



### Elise Eimre

is a doctoral student at the Estonian Academy of Arts. Her research interests focus on the visual studies of film art. She has worked as a production designer and director on numerous video projects including stage designs for concert arenas. Elise is one of the programmers for the Black Nights Film Festival and a project manager for Black Room.

Schedule

Day 1  
11 August

**11.00–13.30 CET**  
Components of great storytelling

**14.00–16.00 CET**  
Introduction to Blender

Day 2  
12 August

**11.00–13.30 CET**  
Animation with Blender

**14.00–16.00 CET**  
Animation with Blender

Day 3  
13 August

**10.00–13.30 CET**  
Panel discussion

**14.00–17.00 CET**  
Group project with Blender

Weekend  
Break

Day 4  
16 August

**10.00–13.30 CET**  
Group project with Blender

**14.00–17.00 CET**  
Group project with Blender

Day 5  
17 August

**11.00–13.00 CET**  
Group project finalisation

**14.00–16.00 CET**  
Screening session & discussion

Disclaimer

- The course will be held online via Zoom and in English.
- Participation is free and requires registration by 1 August.
- Participant has to be able to use computer with webcam.
- The instructors select 21 students from the competition. The selection is based on a motivation letter.
- Transform4Europe will gain all rights to the video projects.
- Upon full participation and completion of the course, students will be awarded a Transform4Europe certificate of completion and diploma for 1 ESTC.

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