

Academic Personnel Short Profile / Short CV

University:	University of Nicosia
Surname:	Christoforou
Name:	Maria
Rank:	Lecturer
Faculty:	Full time faculty
Department:	Design and Multimedia
Scientific Domain: *	Multimedia

** Field of Specialization*

**Academic qualifications
(list by highest qualification)**

Qualification	Year	Awarding Institution	Department	Thesis title
MA in Interactive Multimedia	2002	University of the Arts	Media and Communications	"Interactive computer games and their impact on children's education, mental and physical balance."
BA in Graphics Communication	2001	University of Nicosia	Graphics Communication	"Human balance"

Employment history – List by the three (3) most recent

Period of employment		Employer	Location	Position
From	To			
Sep. 2006	present	University of Nicosia Nicosia	Nicosia/Cyprus	Lecturer
Sep. 2003	June 2006	Government Spokesman's Office at the Cyprus Press and Information Office (PIO)	Nicosia/Cyprus	Government Spokesman's Personal Assistant
Sep. 1996	June 2001	Registrar of Companies	Nicosia/Cyprus	Name's Examiner

Key <u>refereed</u> journal papers, monographs, books, conference publications etc. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected –(max total 10)						
Ref. Number	Year	Title	Other authors	Journal and Publisher / Conference	Vol.	Pages
1	Oct. 2018	“Theatrical performances and workshops at School”	Maria Christoforou	Booklet: ISBN 978-9925-7496-0-7 Publisher: LWP		1-30
2	April 2017	“E Democracy: Prospects, risks and impact on online free expression.”	Maria Christoforou Savvas Iacovides	Conference: FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION IN THE DIGITAL AGE: 2 nd International Conference. The Mass Media Institute and the Department of Communication, University of Nicosia, Cyprus/ Conference proceedings		
3	May 2016	“Virtual worlds' influences on our mental balance and physical health: a survey with philosophical approaches.”	Maria Christoforou Despina Michael	Conference: EUROGRAPHICS 2016 ACM SIGGRAPH Conference on Motion in Games 2015 (MIG 2015), Lisbon, Portugal/ Poster Session		
4	May 2014	“Crisis & Comments”	Maria Christoforou	Book: ISBN 978-9963-711-06-2 Publisher: University of Nicosia Press		1-129
5	Sep. 2011	“From Canvas to Screen”	Maria Christoforou	Book: ISBN 978-9963-711-06-2 Publisher: University of Nicosia Press		1-121
6	April 2009	“A comparison of the new interactive environment games, classic computer games and traditional games, and their impact on children's education, mental and physical balance.”	Maria Christoforou Andrew Laghos	Conference :V INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MULTIMEDIA AND INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES IN EDUCATION (m-ICTE 2009 Lisbon, Portugal/ Conference proceedings		

Exhibitions (where applicable). List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected. (max total 10)					
Ref. Number	Date	Topic	International / Local	Location*	Role in Exhibition
1	Oct. 2018	Biennale Cyprus Artwork title: "Vice-Versa" Medium: Video Art	International	Pierides Museum Larnaca/Cyprus	Group Exhibition -Duo/ Digital Artist
2	May 2017	"Tangram, the link between mathematics and art"/ An interactive workshop-exhibition with visual aids, paintings, tangram and virtual reality. The art work illustrated the connection between mathematics and art through geometry, classical painting (golden ratio) and digital art.	Local	Gruppo Casa Nicosia/Cyprus	Solo-Interactive Exhibition -Digital and mixed media Artist
3	May 2014	4 th Solo Multimedia and mixed media exhibition: "Crisis & Comments". A visual act with 3d construction installation with sound and performers. The art work illustrated a surrealistic view of economic crisis. ISBN 978-9963-711-22-2	Local	Kasteliotissa Hall, Nicosia/Cyprus	Solo Exhibition -Digital and mixed media Artist
4	June 2011	3 rd Solo Multimedia Exhibition: "Be aware of the apples".	Local	Peace Hall, Nicosia/Cyprus	Solo Exhibition -Digital and mixed media Artist
5	Oct. 2008	2 nd Solo Multimedia Exhibition: "Finding the truth in Fairytales".	Local	Stoa Aeschylou, Nicosia/Cyprus	Solo Exhibition -Digital and mixed media Artist
6	June 2007	1 st Solo Multimedia Exhibition: "Rebirth".	Local	Lions House, Nicosia/Cyprus	Solo Exhibition -Digital and mixed media Artist
7	Sep. 2010	Urban Festival	International	Nicosia/Cyprus	Group Exhibition Duo/ Digital Artist

		Artwork title: "Conversations with a drum". Medium: Digital media and sound.			
8	Nov. 2009	The Artspace exhibition Artwork title: "Photography and Text". Participated as: Digital artist.	International	Artspace Greece-Germany Cyprus	Group Exhibition/ Digital Artist
9	Nov. 2010	15th Japan Media Arts Festival, Japan Media Arts Plaza, Japan Artwork title: "Catch me": Medium: Experimental animation:	International	Japan	Group Exhibition Duo/ Digital Artist
10	Aug. 2008	"Rolling Frame" Exhibition Artwork title:"The Frog" Medium: Video Art	International	Stoa Aeschylou, Nicosia/Cyprus	Group Exhibition/ Digital Artist

** Specify venue, geographic location etc*

Research Projects. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected (max total 10)				
Ref. Number	Date	Title	Funded by	Project Role*
1	Oct. 2018	Theatrical play-lectern for adults: "Women's stories" (Collaboration with "Rebirth group of Artists".)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2015-2020)	Digital Artist, Art Director & Co - Organizer
2	March 2018	Theatrical play-lectern for adults: "Who do I want to be". (Collaboration with "Rebirth group of Artists".)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2015-2020)	Digital (VR) Artist, Art Director & Co - Organizer
3	Oct. 2017	Educational, interactive theatrical performance for children: "The owl who wanted them all". (Collaboration with "The Little Worry People" Art and Drama Studio.)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2015-2020)	Author, Art director & Co - Organizer

4	Feb. 2017	Theatrical play-lectern for adults: "Tracing female aspects" (Collaboration with "Rebirth group of Artists".)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2015-2020)	Digital Artist, Art Director & Co - Organizer
5	Aug. 2016	Educational, interactive theatrical performance for children: "Home little home". (Collaboration with "The Little Worry People" Art and Drama Studio.)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2015-2020)	Digital Artist, Art Director & Co - Organizer
6	Feb. 2016	Educational, interactive theatrical performance for children: "Let's go for a ride". (Collaboration with "The Little Worry People" Art and Drama Studio.)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2015-2020) And Bank of Cyprus	Art director & Co - Organizer
7	Sep. 2015	Educational, interactive theatrical performance for children: "Shall I tell you a secret?" (Collaboration with "The Little Worry People" Art and Drama Studio.)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2015-2020)	Author, Art director & Co - Organizer
8	Sep. 2014	Educational, interactive theatrical performance for children: "The envious owl". (Collaboration with "The Little Worry People" Art and Drama Studio.)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2010-2014)	Author, Art director & Co - Organizer
9	Feb. 2013	Educational, interactive theatrical performances for children: "Are you afraid of the dark?" Collaboration with "The Little Worry People" Art and Drama Studio.)	Supported by the Ministry of Education and Culture - "Πρόγραμμα Πολιτισμός" (2010-2014)	Digital Artist, Art Director & Co - Organizer
10	Sep. 2012	Educational, interactive theatrical performance for children: "Hello" Collaboration with "The Little Worry People" Art and Drama Studio.)	Supported by International Puppet - Mime Festival of Kilkis, Greece	Art director & Co - Organizer

**Project Role: i.e. Scientific/Project Coordinator, Research Team Member, Researcher, Assistant Researcher, other*

**Consulting Services and/or Participation in Councils / Boards/ Editorial Committees.
List the five (5) more recent**

Ref. Number	Period	Organization	Title of Position or Service	Key Activities
1	27-31 May 2018	Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design, Jerusalem, Israel	External Examiner/ Invited Speaker	Evaluate Student's projects. Erasmus + Teaching Mobility.
2	18 Oct. 2018	Motion Festival Cyprus 2019, European University, Nicosia- Cyprus	Board member of the evaluation committee.	Evaluate participations (Animation -category)
3	5 -7 May 2017	Startup Cyprus	Mentor for multimedia projects/ applications for Startup live.	Evaluate projects The main goal of the European Startup Network is to harmonise the European startup ecosystems with respect to: the legal environment, market access and entrepreneurial culture within each country. Supported by Bank of Cyprus. http://startupcyprus.org/
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<http://startupcyprus.org/>

**Awards / International Recognition (where applicable). List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected.
(max total 10)**

Ref. Number	Date	Title	Awarded by:
1	July 2002	Award Third prize winner of the Playstation 2 Innovation awards for the Interactive Movie: "Elements".	Playstation 2/ London
2	May 1998	Award Winner of the Pancyprian Competition for the best Logo for the campaign "Against Violence in the Family", Cyprus.	Non-Profit Organization Violence in the Family/Cyprus
3	Nov. 1998	Award Winner of the best Christmas card design for the Telethon Campaign, Cyprus	Telethon/Cyprus

**Other Achievements. List the five (5) more recent and other five (5) selected.
(max total 10)**

Ref. Number	Date	Title	Key Activities:
1	June 2017	Workshop: "Flip book making", organized by the University of Nicosia, Dep. of Design and Multimedia. Collaboration with CCC17 Cyprus Comic Convention as educational partners.	Trainer / Flip book techniques Cyprus Comic Con is a non-profit organization, dedicated to spreading the appreciation of popular culture in Cyprus, through its annual weekend convention and other events.
2	March 2017-2013	Workshop: "Linear Animation". The HandShake with ICT – Information Communication Technologies", organized by the University of Nicosia, Dep. of MIS.	Trainer / Basic animation techniques
3	Dec. 2016	Art and Craft Workshop: "Clyn Hughes", organized by Nicosia Municipal Arts Centre, Associated with Pierides Foundation.	Trainer / Creative painting techniques

4	Fall 2014	Multimedia competition - project regarding "Water", organized by the Management of water in Cyprus.	Tutor / Multimedia project *2 nd Award
5	June 2013	Workshop "Installation & Performing Arts". Organized by Stoa Aeschylou.	Speaker/Trainer Installation and performing arts
6	May 2018-2015	Publications in Daily Press "How new technologies can redefine our needs." "Net Democracy strengthens freedom in all its aspects." "Anonymity on the internet does not mean impunity." "Electronic democracy strengthens democratic processes." "E-democracy demands & solutions." "Enhancing the emotional intelligence of children." "The influences of interactive theater, in children's balance and health." "Art and Mathematics -An indestructible interconnection." "Actual and virtual reality - The influences of virtual reality in our health." "Selfie: phenomenon of narcissism" "When the virtual reality prevails over the actual..." "When net democracy becomes bullying".	Author in Daily press www.paidiasnews.com
7	Oct. 2013	Workshop: Storyboarding, organized by Pop up Festival. Collaboration with Pop up Festival & fund by Bank of Cyprus:	Trainer/ Basic storyboarding techniques
8	March 2012	Scholarship Seminar-workshop on "3D Cinema, Copyrights, Internet, Storyboarding and Holograms". Award and organized by Insight Out/HFF Academy, Germany. Fund by Media Desk (EU).	Certificate Trainee
9	July 2011	Scholarship Seminar-workshop: "Transistor 2011: 3D Stereoscopic Cinema."	Certificate Trainee

		Award and organized by Czech Republic, CIANT (International Centre for Art and New Technologies). Also Fund by Media Desk (EU).	
10	Sep. 2005-6	Scholarship Seminar-workshop: "Arista" Script writing seminars" Fund by Media Desk (EU).	Certificate Trainee