## PRACTICE-BASED ANIMATION RESEARCH | 5 Minute Micro Talk Presentation

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## **Abstract**

In the animation industry, there are always three parameters: cost, time and visual style. All are important, although at the audience level, only the visual is seen. The last 30 years, thanks to technological advances, have made it possible to optimize the processes of the 2D animated series for television. The increase in platforms, demands more animated content, and for that series to stand out, it must be visually original. To look for this premise, the studios are looking for ways to create a series with a visual style that is different from the rest, but that does not affect production times and does not increase costs, because it would no longer be profitable. What is beginning to be achieved is to mix flat animation techniques, with the more traditional techniques of 2D, but updated to the digital age. Analyzed three series, with different visual style, the guidelines achieved on the visual results of each one of them are shown.

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