

J. ANTHONY KOSAR



KOSART STUDIOS

SPECIAL MAKEUP EFFECTS DEPARTMENT HEAD
PROSTHETIC DESIGNER • SCULPTOR • ILLUSTRATOR

MAKEUP FX • SCULPTURE • PROSTHETICS • PROPS
CHARACTER & CREATURE DESIGN • CONCEPT ART

ABOUT

EMMY Nominated Prosthetic Designer & Special Makeup Effects Department Head J. Anthony Kosar is a member of the **IATSE Local 476** with over 23 years of experience. Through his company Kosart Studios, he has worked across the continent, from NY to LA and from Canada to Mexico, creating the highest quality, custom makeup FX for film, television, web media, photography, advertising, and theater. He specializes in all forms of makeup FX, including hyper-realistic age, character, believable likenesses, true-to-life trauma, blood gags of all sizes, and creative fantasy, sci-fi, and horror creature FX. Kosar also produces award-winning illustration, concept art, and sculpture.

TELEVISION (selected)

MONSTER: THE ED GEIN STORY • Netflix • Season 3 • 2025
Special Makeup Effects Prosthetic Artist

DARK MATTER • Apple TV+ • Seasons 1 & 2 • 2022 to 2025
Special Makeup Effects Prosthetic Artist; FX Lab Lifecasting Services,
Prosthetic Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

POWER BOOK IV: FORCE • STARZ • Seasons 1-3 • 2021 to 2024
Prosthetic Designer & Special Makeup Effects Artist
Prosthetic Sculptor, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

CHICAGO PD • NBC • Seasons 11 & 12 • 2024
Prosthetic Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios, Tattoo FX Designer

EMPEROR OF OCEAN PARK • MGM+ • Season 1 • 2024
Prop Designer & Sculptor, Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor: Kosart Studios

THE CHI • Showtime • Season 6 • 2024
Prosthetic Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

NATIONAL TREASURE: EDGE OF HISTORY • Disney+ • Season 1 • 2023
Prosthetic Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

SHINING GIRLS • Apple TV+ • Season 1 • 2022
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

PAPER GIRLS • Amazon • Season 1 • 2022
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

STATION ELEVEN • HBO • Season 1 • 2022
Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor for Aged Clark & Jeevan
Chicago Prosthetic Application Tests, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

4400 • The CW • Season 1 • 2021 to 2022
Prosthetic Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

FARGO • FX • Season 4 • 2019 to 2020
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

LOVECRAFT COUNTRY • HBO • Season 1 (Pilot) • 2020
***EMMY Nomination** - Prosthetic Designer & Special Makeup Effects Artist
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

EMPIRE • FOX • Seasons 3 - 6 • 2016 to 2020
Prosthetic Designer & Special Makeup Effects Artist
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

CHICAGO PD • NBC • Seasons 4-6 • 2016 to 2019
Prosthetic Designer & Special Makeup Effects Artist
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

SHAMELESS • Showtime • Season 9 • 2018
Special Makeup Effects Prosthetic Artist

CHICAGO JUSTICE • NBC • Season 1 • 2016 to 2017
Prosthetic Designer & Special Makeup Effects Artist
Prosthetic Sculptor, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

CHICAGO FIRE • NBC • Season 4 • 2016
Special Makeup Effects Artist

AWARDS (selected)

EMMY Nomination • 73rd Primetime Emmy® Awards • 2021
OUTSTANDING PROSTHETIC MAKEUP for *Lovecraft Country* "Sundown" HBO
Prosthetic Designer / Special Makeup Effects Artist

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD • American Academy of Art • 2022
1 of only 16 Artists selected from the Academy's 101 Year History

CHAMPION • FACE OFF • Season 4 • Syfy • 2013
RECORDS: Most Consecutive Wins and Most Wins in a Season.
Won 6 of 11 Spotlight Challenges and 1 of 4 Foundation Challenges.

FILM (selected)

ENEMIES • A24 • Feature • 2025
Makeup FX Department Head & Prosthetic Designer / Sculptor: Kosart Studios

HIM • Universal Pictures / Monkeypaw Productions • Feature • 2024 & 2025
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

ON FIRE • Branded Pictures Entertainment • Feature • 2023
Prosthetic Sculptor & Creator: Kosart Studios for Masters FX

GANYMEDE • Neighborhood Pictures / Whiskey Stream • Feature • 2022
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

PERPETRATOR • Shudder / Divide Conquer • Feature • 2022
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

CANDYMAN • MGM/ Universal Pictures / Monkeypaw • Feature • 2021
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

NIGHT'S END • Shudder / Crow Island Films • Feature • 2021
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

START WITHOUT ME • 637 Scraper • Feature • 2021
Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor: Kosart Studios

BEATS • Netflix • Feature • 2019
Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

PSYCHOGENIC FUGUE • Squarespace / David Lynch Foundation • Short • 2016
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head
Prosthetic Designer & Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

THE ALIEN REPORT • Company C Productions • Feature • 2016
Special Makeup Effects Department Head

ZOOBIQUITY • 20th Century Fox • TV Movie • 2016
Prosthetic Designer & Special Makeup Effects Artist
Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

BLACK LULLABY • Joshua Hoffine Productions • Short • 2014
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

BLOOD ON THE PLAIN • Water Cooler Productions • Short • 2011
Creature Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

BLACK HOLE • Directed by Rupert Sanders • Short • 2010
Special Makeup FX Artist, FX Lab Technician, FX Intern: Stan Winston Studio 2007

AVATAR • 20th Century Fox • Feature Film • 2010
Special FX Lab Technician, FX Intern: Stan Winston Studio 2007

SATANIC PANIC • Marc Selz Productions • Short • 2009
Creature Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

INDIANA JONES: KINGDOM OF CRYSTAL SKULL • Paramount • Feature • 2008
Special FX Lab Technician, Prop Painter, FX Intern: Stan Winston Studio 2007

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Add'l. FILM & TV (as Tattoo FX Designer)

CHICAGO MED • NBC • Seasons 7 - 10 • 2022 - 2025

GOONS • Confluent Films • Feature Film • 2024

POWER BOOK II : GHOST • STARZ • Season 4 • 2023

SOMEBODY SOMEWHERE • HBO • Season 1 • 2022

POWER BOOK III : RAISING KANAN • STARZ • Season 2 • 2021

THE BIG LEAP • FOX • Season 1 • 2021

NEXT • FOX • Season 1 • 2020

COMMERCIAL & ADVERTISEMENT (selected)

REGAL CINEMAS • Story / Quality Meats / Andy Richter / Regal • 3 Spots • 2023
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Prosthetic Sculptor, Prop Sculptor: Kosart Studios

GOOGLE CHROME ALIEN • Google / Imperial Woodpecker • 1 Spot • 2022
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

GAME OF ZONES • Bleacher Report / Turner Broadcasting • Live Marketing • 2018
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

HEART MEDICATION • Story / Edwards Lifesciences • 1 Spot • 2018
Special Makeup Effects Department Head

US OLYMPIC HEROES • United Airlines / US Olympic Team • Immersive Exhibit • 2018
Face Sculptor, Painter, & Hair Application: Kosart Studios

FANTA MUMMY • A Zaffarino Productions / Coca-Cola / Fanta / Universal • Print Ad • 2017
Special Makeup Effects Department Head, Tattoo FX Designer: Kosart Studios

NOX: FRIGHT FEST OVERLORD • Six Flags Great America • Spot 2015 & Live 2015 to 2023
Prosthetic Makeup Department Head for Spot in 2015, Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor, Creature Consultant: Kosart Studios

BABY ANIMAL BATTLE PATROL • Nerdlist / Verizon Wireless • 1 Spot / Web • 2015
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

IVAN CYCLOPS : FLOOR & DECOR • Fizz City Films / Floor & Decor • 1 Spot • 2013
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

GO BIG OR GO HOME CLUB : WENDY'S • Wendy's / MTV • 1 Spot • 2013
Special FX Makeup Artist

MUSIC CHOICE ZOMBIES • Music Choice • 1 Spot • 2013
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

SEARS ZOMBIES • Sears / Craftsman • 8 Spots & Live Marketing • 2011
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (selected)

KOSART SCHOOL • FX Classes & Workshops • Westmont, IL • 2011 to Present

SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN • Film Dept Mentor • Savannah, GA • 2025

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ART • Concept Design • Chicago, IL • 2020

I.A.T.S.E. LOCAL 476 • MUFEX Seminar via Kosart School • Westmont, IL • 2016

FRENCH PASTRY SCHOOL • Airbrushing • Chicago, IL • 2013 to 2015

MAKE UP FOREVER ACADEMY • Prosthetic Makeup FX • New York, NY • 2013

EDUCATION

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ART • Chicago, IL • 2004 to 2008

VALEDICTORIAN Class of 2008 • BACHELOR OF FINE ART in Illustration
President's List & Dean's List: 2004 to 2008 • 1st Place Illustration : AAArt Annual 07 & 08
Student Choice: AAArt Annual 07 & 08 • 1st Place: Senior Scholarship Competition 2003

MUSIC VIDEO (selected)

NF "IF YOU WANT LOVE" • Tohill Productions / Capitol Records • 2018
Prosthetic Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

CHRIS BROWN "HIGH END" • Spiff TV / RCA Records • 2017
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

AERACO "BAPTIZED BY FIRE" • Dark Star Records • 2017
Special Makeup Effects Department Head & Prosthetic Designer,
Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

EDITORIAL & PHOTOGRAPHY (selected)

EIGHT LEGENDARY WOMEN • New York Magazine / Sandro • 2017
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head to Jessica Lange
Prosthetic Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

PLAYING LYNCH • Squarespace / David Lynch Foundation • 2016
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head to John Malkovich
Prosthetic Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

ADOBE ALIENS • Adobe / Adobe Max • 2016
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head, Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

NOSFERATU • Joshua Hoffine Photography • 2016
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head, Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

DEVIL'S MUGSHOT • Joshua Hoffine Photography • 2016
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head, Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

JEKYLL & HYDE • Joshua Hoffine Photography • 2016
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head, Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

INNSMOUTH • Joshua Hoffine Photography • 2015
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head, Prosthetic Designer,
Creature Designer, Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

MONSTER PROM • Sony UK / Joshua Hoffine Photography • 2014
Creature Effects Department Head, Prosthetic Designer,
Character Designer, Character Sculptor: Kosart Studios

LAST STAND • Joshua Hoffine Photography • 2013
Prosthetic Makeup Effects Department Head, Prosthetic Designer,
Prosthetic Sculptor: Kosart Studios

THEATER (selected)

GOTTERDAMMERUNG : DER RING DES NIBELUNGEN (Ring Cycle 4) • Lyric Opera • 2020
Prosthetic Makeup Consultant, Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor: Kosart Studios

SIEGFRIED : DER RING DES NIBELUNGEN (Ring Cycle 3) • Lyric Opera of Chicago • 2018
Prosthetic Makeup Consultant, Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor: Kosart Studios

DIE WALKURE : DER RING DES NIBELUNGEN (Ring Cycle 2) • Lyric Opera of Chicago • 2017
Prosthetic Makeup Consultant, Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor: Kosart Studios

DAS RHEINGOLD : DER RING DES NIBELUNGEN (Ring Cycle 1) • Lyric Opera Chicago • 2016
Prosthetic Makeup Consultant, Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor: Kosart Studios

DON GIOVANNI • Lyric Opera of Chicago • 2014
Prosthetic Makeup Consultant, Prosthetic Designer & Sculptor: Kosart Studios

INTERSHIPS

DEFIANCE • Syfy • Season 1 • 2012 • Toronto, Canada
Special Makeup Effects & Prosthetics Department Intern

STAN WINSTON STUDIO • 2007 • Van Nuys, CA
Special Makeup Effects & Prosthetics Department Intern, in Lab and On-Set
On AVATAR, INDIANA JONES 4, & BLACK HOLE, and Several Commercials

BRADFORD EXCHANGE • 2006 • Niles, IL
Product Development Intern, designing & managing projects