



Dexter illustrator in T&T for Animation Workshop



“Die hard” fans of cable TV’s most notorious serial killer, *Dexter*, would know all about the online series which explores the years leading up to his dark tendencies. The aptly-named *Dexter Early Cuts* web series has garnered critical acclaim for its originality thanks to its unique TV storyline and the skills of the animators who bring the very dark and brooding Dexter to

virtual life in each webisode.



Local followers of *Dexter* and of animation in general should therefore be thrilled to learn that *Early Cuts* animator Kyle Baker will be presenting two workshops at this week’s Animae Caribe Animation and New Media Festival. He is expected to explain the process

in delivering this one-of-a-kind animated series about a bloodstain pattern analyst by day, serial killer by night who kills other killers. While Mr. Baker has illustrated a number of episodes of the online drama, his start was purely by knowing the right people as he admitted he was not a fan of the Showtime series. Nevertheless, his talent and his passion for animation are unmistakable in *Early Cuts* where he brings Dexter’s killer instincts to life. As a workshop teaser, Baker is expected to give highlights in producing *Early Cuts* including the benefits of working on small projects. In an interview with Animag Online, he relates: “I love doing low-budget animation for the Internet. You can



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Workshops: Friday 26th and
Saturday 27th, APA.

have a lot more fun doing these smaller projects than if you work at bigger studios like Disney and Warner Bros, you don't have as much control".

In addition to *Dexter*, Mr. Baker will also present another workshop entitled *Concepts in Children Series*. If there's a bit of irony in the two presentations, true Baker fans will probably tell you it is unfounded. After all, he is an eight-time Eisner Award winner and one of the most celebrated comic book and animation creators in the 21st century! He is just as well known for his graphic work as he is for his animated children's films, having directed episodes of Cartoon Network's *Class of 3000* and the Disney Channel's *Phineas and Ferb*. This master animator's hands has drawn DC Comics' *Plastic Man*, *Hawk Man*, *The Shadow*, *Justice Inc.*, *Dick Tracey*, and also illustrated the highly controversial *Captain America: The Truth* series for Marvel Comics which revealed the hero's true origins as an African American super-soldier.

Kyle Baker's workshop on Showtime's "Dexter The Animated Series" takes place at the Academy for the Performing Arts, Port of Spain on Friday November 26th from 10am to 11:30am. His *Concepts in Children Series* workshop runs on Saturday November 27th from 1pm to 4pm.

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