

# Snehal Padhye

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## EDUCATION

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### Doctor of Philosophy, Imaging Science

*Rochester Institute of Technology*

Aug. 2018 – Present

*Rochester, NY*

### Master of Technology, Signal Processing

*College of Engineering Pune*

Aug. 2013 – May 2015

*Pune, India*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Apple

*PPO Hardware Engineering Intern, Display Exploration team*

Sunnyvale, CA

*May 2022 – Aug 2022*

- Modified components in the rendering pipeline to enable simulation and exploration of volumetric effects for prototype displays.
  - \* Developed an application to demonstrate the volumetric effects within the framework and conducted psychophysical experiments to evaluate the effects of the algorithm.
  - \* Worked on generating ground truth data for deep learning based model of the algorithm.
  - \* Contributed in optimization of the algorithm.

### Facebook Reality Labs

*Research Intern, AR Display Engineering team*

Redmond, WA

*May 2021 – Sept 2021*

- Developed 'AR Simulator' to determine product specifications and inform engineering requirements.
  - \* Evaluated the display pipeline feasibility of a Unity simulation and simulated key components usable for Oculus link and standalone HMD.
  - \* Augmented existing simulations to the AR display pipeline components for a more realistic experience of the product.

### Rochester Institute of Technology

*Graduate Research Assistant, Visual Imaging and Technology Lab*

Rochester, NY

*Aug. 2019 – Present*

- Develop an end-to-end solution for creating realistic experiences of the near planar cultural heritage objects.
  - \* **Capturing and Modeling** : Develop a lightweight appearance capture system for near planar objects.
  - \* **Visualization** : Develop a web-based tool for visualization of the captured digital models.
  - \* **Interaction** : Develop techniques to render the digital models using the user's real time environment.
  - \* **Perception** : Create tools to help us understand material perception using the tangible display system.

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Padhye, S., Messinger, D. and Ferwerda, J., 'SVBRDF estimation using a normal sorting technique', **SIGGRAPH** Poster Session (2022) and Journal of Imaging Science and Technology (**JIST**) (2022).
- Padhye, S. and Ferwerda, J. 'Real-time illumination capture and realistic rendering on mobile devices', **Frameless Journal** (2021).
- Padhye, S., et al., 'Visual perception of surface properties through direct manipulation', **VSS** (2021). Recipient of **Elsevier Vision Research Virtual Travel Award**.
- Ferwerda, J. and Padhye, S., 'Visual Perception of Surface Properties Through Manipulation', **Color and Imaging Conference (CIC)** (2021).
- Padhye, S., Messinger, D. and Ferwerda, J., 'A Practitioner's guide to Fringe Projection Profilometry', **Archiving** (2021).
- Padhye, S., Messinger, D. and Ferwerda, J., 'A Web-based Visualization Tool for Multispectral Images', **Electronic Imaging** (2021) and **SPIE Defence + Commercial Sensing** (2021).
- Padhye, S., Messinger, D. and Ferwerda, J., 'Digital Modeling Of Cultural Heritage Objects', **Frameless** (2019).

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Working Knowledge:** Python, Unity, Three.js, MATLAB, JavaScript, HTML, GLSL/HLSL

**Basic Knowledge:** C/C++, C#, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Java

**Courses completed:** Image Processing and Computer Vision, Radiometry, The Human Visual System, Optics for Imaging, Foundation of Computer Graphics, Global Illumination