

CS4340 Digital Special Effects Progress Report

The chronicles of the wind (风扇传)

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Change of Plans(if any)

Role	Huiyun	Mel	Eng Chye
Filming	Y	Y	Y
Director / Producer	Y		
Acting		Y	Y
Sound Effect	Y	Y	Y
Post-Production	Y	Y	Y

Roles were swapped as above in **red**.

Updated Roles On Post Production

Role	Huiyun	Mel	Eng Chye
Alchemist Effect	Y		
Smoke Effect		Y	
Wind Effect			Y
Flying objects			Y
Life Bar		Y	
Switching of game to TV screen	Y		

Task Completed

Research on how to do the effects

We have completed the preliminary composition of the the video which includes the following,

- Scouted spot for filming
- Research for special effects (swirling wind, force field, alchemy)



- Filmed the entire video
- Green screen filming





As you can see, the character on the right was blown away by the fan. Hence the flying scene was shot with a green screen and then composite into the main footage. We have yet to colour correct the footage and add other flying objects.

- Editing and scene composition

Tasks performed by each member so far.

Eng Chye

Acted as the antagonist
Special effect research
Pre-stage of creating the proposed effect

Huiyun

Cameraman/ director
Animated the alchemy formation.
Directs most of the shots in the video as she is the storyboard artist

Melissa

Acted as the protagonist
Preliminary compositing and editing of the videos scenes.
Pre-stage of creating the proposed effect

Difficulties encountered and how to overcome them

1. Since we were planning to film outdoor, the weather posted as a problem since it was the rainy season. However, a few days before the filming, we went searching for filming locations and even planned a indoor location as wet weather backup.
2. As the final location we filmed at was under a shelter, we had to adjust certain shots to ensure that lighting was appropriate, taking care of shadow angles

3. Even though the place was quite a quiet place, but there were people walking by from time to time and cleaner cleaning the area. We had no choice but to reshoot when some of them came into the view of the camera.

4. As glass panels can be seen in some of the shots, we realised that we might have accidentally shot ourselves shooting the video in the glass panels. To prevent only realizing it during postproduction, we looked through all the footages and retook some of the scenes.

Remaining Works

1. Finish up creating the proposed effects

- Fan takes in energy
- Hurricane/Wind cum lightning from fan
- Create character's energy/life bar
- Old TV effect
- Smoke particles when the fan appear

2. Integrate respective effects into the video

3. Source for appropriate audio and sound effects