

VFX year 3 Project renewal - 40537620

1. Flame Renewal

Old



New



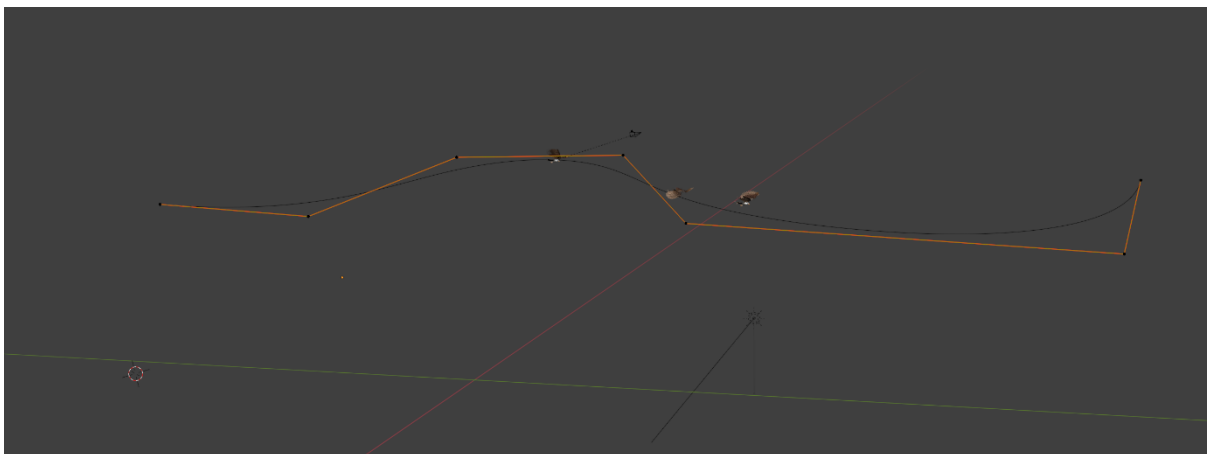
Reason: I decided to add a new flare to the old Flame VFX that I created. The original wasn't lively enough to pass, which I aimed to change with the new VFX. I re did the flame body, and gave it a much wavier effect, mainly utilizing the fractal texture and the warp effect. I also added a warp effect to the character to simulate the passage of smoke, and the glow to show a change in lighting.

2. City Fade out



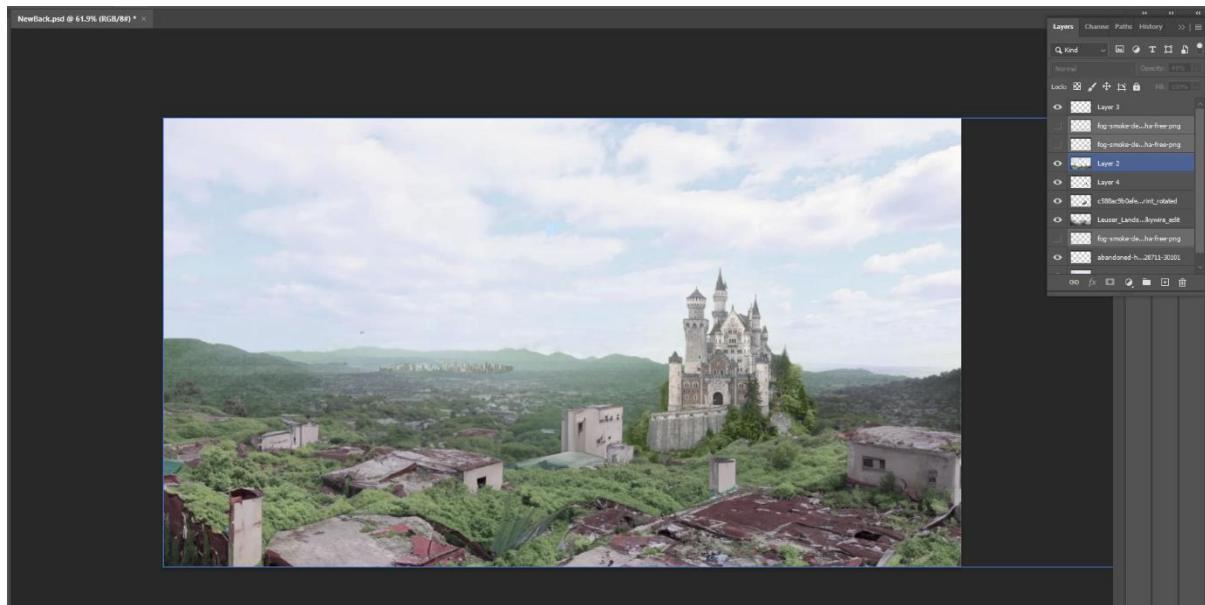
Reason – The original seemed a bit anti-climactic. As a result of this different ways of bringing the image to life have been added. Including:

Wildlife



I animated and rendered a flight path of 3 birds flying through the air utilizing a similar camera setup to the one used in the original for consistency.

Updated Matte Painting

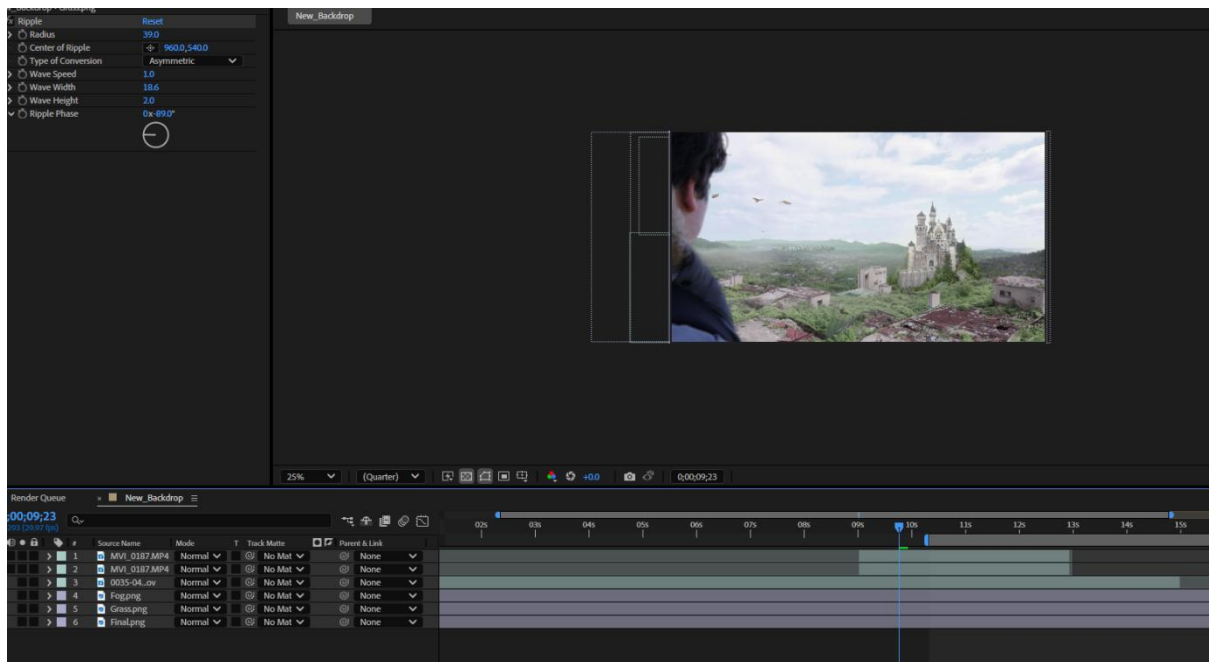


A different take on the original matte painting was created due to the lack of content in the original. I've decided to add a key landmark to enhance the impact of the image, and to utilize the rule of thirds for interest. Additional details such as a mountain range and a city have been added, all using free use images from the web. To add a bit of originality to these images, I have painted vines and shrubbery impacting the "Decay" of these buildings. Appropriate Colour grading and image editing techniques have been used to blend the images seamlessly.



In addition to this, I added a rollover of fog for some animation, as well as a separate tree mask using the ripple effect to add movement to the natural habitat.





3. Colour Grading

Simple, yet impactful.

I wanted to revisit the colouring of the project. The colour never sat right with me since uploading the project and felt it was too bright and colourful for something meant to be “Decaying”. I decided to revisit the colour palette of the whole project and add a dark and gloom vibe, using high contrast, dark, oranges and greens.



Before



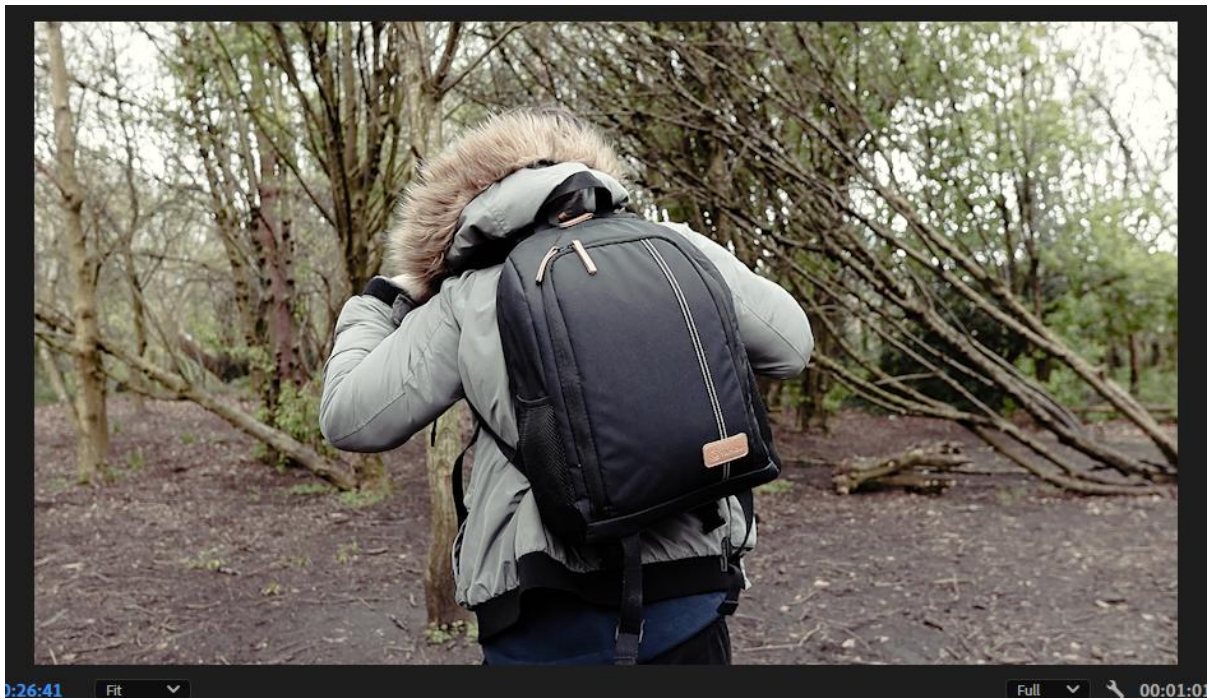
After



Before



After



Before



After



New



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For Matte Painting

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