

Digital Statues

A collaborative project

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About

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- Graduated from Full Sail's Computer Animation in 2002
- M.Sc. in Medialogy from Aalborg University in Copenhagen 2006.
- Joined EFLA Consulting Engineers in 2017.
- Partner at EFLA Consulting Engineers in 2021
- EPIC Megagrants recipient 2020
- Digital Twin evangelist

 First heard about photogrammetry around 2006.







What is the Digital Statues project?

- A collaborative project that started as a chance visit to the Einar Jónsson Sculpture Museum
- Einar Jónson's statues, photographed and processed to create exact digital twins of each statue in the museum and around the city of Reykjavik.
- The main objective is to get the art of Einar Jónsson to all school kids, regardless of their location.

- Also a great way to celebrate the museum's 100th anniversary.
- Study materials for students to learn more about the artist and also to







How did we get started?

- Barnamenningarsjóður (children's culture fund) supported the project for two years in a row
- List fyrir alla (art for everyone) supported the project for one year
- And then we started working...

- <u>Vernd</u>
- <u>Útlagar</u>





Digital twins – real world application

Using digital twins to study weathering and vandalism

- The Jón Sigurðsson monument
- Client: Listasafn Reykjavíkur
- Opportunity: Provide static "health" report on statue.
- Challenge: random vandals

- Jón Sigurðsson digital twin
- Ingólfur Arnarson digital twin





Status of digital twins in other fields

Media and Entertainment

- Virtual production
- Computer games
- Live broadcast (sports)
- Empowering teams all over the globe

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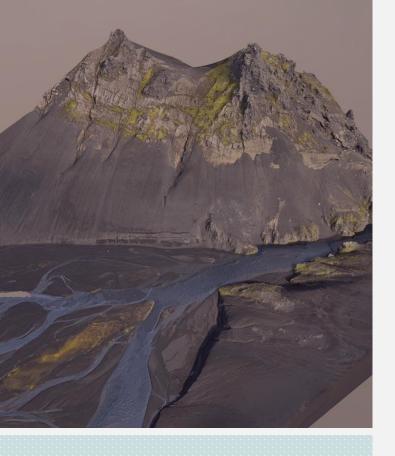




How are we using digital twins in daily lives

- Preparing and monitoring progress on construction sites
- Information sharing
- Decision making in planning/design
- Improved access to information, regardless of location

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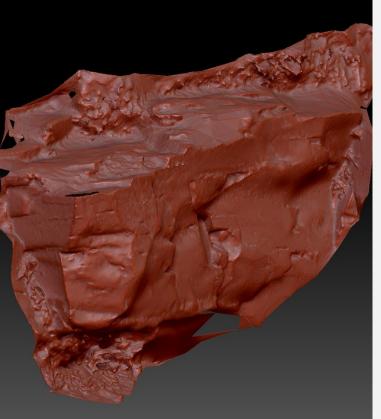


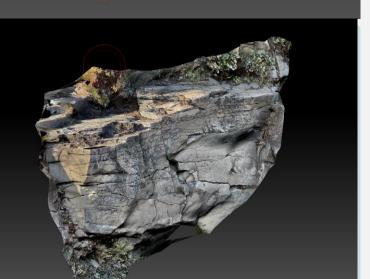


Are we there yet?

EFLA's ongoing commitment to Digital Twins

- Granni a real time database for municipalities
- Scanning / processing
- Media
- Collaboration / dialogue with companies, cities, municipalities, governments, foreign and domestic.







Opportunities and challenges in digital twins

Historical challenges in capturing people's likeness (photography)

Moral challenges of digital twins and the "industries"

Time saving and iteration friendly

Artist friendly (no, really)

- This assumes that digital twins were created at least partially through human input, be it through capturing images or programming of tools that help users "unleash" their creative side.
- Runs risk of everything looking like it was from Megascans library (or other "bank")



Blikastaðaland:

https://bit.ly/40yaVDI

Examples of digital twins in the civil engineering world.

• Borgarhöfði:

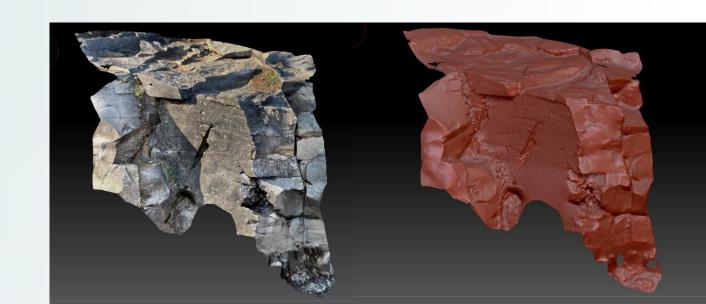
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Listasafn Einars Jónssonar:

https://sketchfab.com/ListasafnEinars/models

Scanning for the sake of scanning:

https://skfb.ly/oKI9O





Final thought and questions

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