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Skills

Programming Languages: C#, Processing (Java-based IDE)

Augmented Reality Development: Unity

3D Modeling, Animation and VFX: Blender, 3ds Max, ZBrush **Motion Graphics and Media Editing:** Adobe Creative Cloud **Sound Design for Interactive Content:** Ableton, Reaper, Pro-Tools

Creative Coding and Rapid Prototyping: Arduino

Experience

Freelance 3D Generalist/Unity Developer

September 2021 – Present

- **Situation:** Joined Peel Interactive, a small enterprise specialising in the art and heritage sectors, as a freelance 3D generalist to assist in producing mobile AR content, motion graphics and audio content.
- Task: Develop and implement interaction concepts, visual assets, narrative elements, sound design, and game mechanics for mobile apps, including the Dublin Discovery Trails for Dublin City Council.
- Action: Collaborated closely with the creative team, supported the Lead Developer with Unity C# AR development, produced quality 3D assets suitable for mobile, engineered Unity scenes for optimal performance, and independently managed remote work to meet project deadlines.
- **Result:** Successfully incorporated immersive content for a diverse range of apps (including Sunderland Experience) that enhanced overall user engagement, ensuring timely handover to the Lead Developer for submission to app stores (Android, iOS) while consistently meeting deadlines and client expectations.

Assistant Lecturer - Coding for Art Module, University of the West of Scotland

February 2021 - May 2021

- Situation: UWS presented the opportunity to develop a course introducing students to coding for New Media Art.
- Task: Create and remotely deliver a comprehensive and engaging course structure, while handling administrative tasks in compliance with GDPR.
- **Action:** Developed the course syllabus covering a range of algorithm-based art and coding techniques, and taught the course remotely while actively providing tailored support to students as required.
- Result: Achieved positive student feedback and efficiently managed administrative responsibilities, culminating in successful delivery of the course.

Freelance Creative Technologist

June 2019 - Present

- Situation: Collaborated with a diverse range of clients to develop and install innovative multimedia experiences.
- Task: Implement the creation and installation of multimedia experiences, ensuring adherence to deadlines.
- Action: Led and co-led the creative design process by conceptualising and prototyping multimedia solutions. Conducted rigorous testing to refine designs and ensure functionality. Maintained close communication with clients throughout development. Provided hands-on technical support during live installations to address issues promptly and ensure seamless execution.
- **Result:** Delivered high-impact projects including a zoom-based remote interactive experience with sonic artist Adam Stearns (The Glad Foundation), a collaboration with experimental percussionist Stuart Brown for a reactive live a/v performance (Edinburgh Festival of Sound), mentoring panel participation (Edinburgh Jazz & Blues Festival) and volunteer productions for events at The Space, a local community arts centre.

Education

The Glasgow School of Art – BA Interaction Design, 2:1

City of Glasgow College – HND Computer Art and Design, Grade A

Aberdeen College – HND Sound Production, Grade A