

# CONTACT

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# **SKILLS**

Art Direction
Management
Ideation
Design
Leadership
Communication
Teamwork
Creativity
Writing
Passion
Mentoring
Teaching
Characters
Environments

ZBrush
Maya
3ds Max
Photoshop
Substance
Unreal
Unity
Topogun
XNormal

# **ABOUT**

Keen-eyed art professional with over 20 years of experience --12 in games, with 30 plus released products and titles. Years of AAA, top-notch experience with companies like EA, Crytek, and more. 7 years as art director. 9 years altogether in various leadership positions directing, mentoring, coaching, and teaching. Well versed with managing outsourcers, freelancers, contractors, and in-house artists. Driven by a passion for the highest quality art and making fun, entertaining experiences. Known for being an invaluable team player and for leading teams to consistently meet deadlines and deliverables. Moreover, a Master of Science degree in interactive entertainment from FIEA, the #1 ranked game school for graduate programs by the Princeton Review.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

2019 - Present

### **ART DIRECTOR**

## Asteri I Shreveport

Proiects/Titles: Otrio. Gobsmax Galaxv Game

- Responsible for visual development, game art, and cinematics.
- Manager and mentor to the art team. 4 in-house artists, 4 outsource artists, 3 freelance/contractors. Recruit, interview, hire, and fire.
- Create Art Bible and other documentation that outlines artistic vision and details pipelines, processes, and best practices.
- · Lead critiques and art reviews.
- Planning/scheduling of tasks and deadlines.
- Manage a 30K budget for freelancers and team-related discretionary expenses.
- As we are a small team, I pitch in wherever necessary: characters, environments, VFX, storyboarding, animations, concept art, marketing art, troubleshooting, late night food runs, you name it.

2015 - 2019

#### **ART DIRECTOR**

Envu I Clearwater

Projects/Titles: Journey, Blast, Future of HR, Venture, 25+ experiences.

- Set visual direction for games and interactive products.
- Guide execution by the art team from start to finish.
- Direct, mentor, and manage internal and external teams.
- Principally involved in all areas of development. Ideation, visual development, story development, pitches and proposals, game design, documentation, UX/UI, and more.
- Recruiting, interviewing, hiring, and firing of internal and external artists.
- General production as needed. Modeling, texturing, animation, and more.

2014 - 2015

## ART DIRECTOR

#### Ootii I Orlando

Projects/Titles: Unannounced.

- Created and communicated the overall artistic vision of the project.
- Gathered reference, gave critical feedback, assigned and tracked tasks, and maintained open communication with artists and development team.

2012 - 2014

#### **CHARACTER MODELER**

Electronic Arts I Orlando

Projects/Titles: NBA Live 13, 14, and 15.

- Managed all in-house and outsourced art for tattoos in NBA Live 2015.
- Contributed to management and production of character art.
- Documented pipelines, processes, completion metrics, etc.
- Helped onboard and train new artists.
- Specialized in likeness/head sculpting in ZBrush.
- Developed target assets that established game-wide production quality.
- Created new body morphs for all characters in NBA Live 2015.







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## **EDUCATION**

#### **DEGREES**

2010

#### **MASTER OF SCIENCE**

in Interactive Entertainment FIEA | University of Central Florida Orlando

2001

#### **BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Specialization in 3d Animation University of Central Florida Orlando

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

Presently enrolled

#### DASHBOARD DESIGN

International Design Foundation Online

2016

#### **USER EXPERIENCE DESIGN**

International Design Foundation Online

2008

#### WEB DESIGN FUNDAMENTALS

Planet Digital, Autodesk Training Center Orlando

2007

# **3D CHARACTER MODELING AND ANIMATION**

Planet Digital, Autodesk Training Center Orlando

2007

### **DESIGN VISUALIZATION**

Planet Digital, Autodesk Training Center Orlando

2007

#### LIGHTING AND RENDERING

Planet Digital, Autodesk Training Center Orlando

2007

# **MODELING AND MATERIALS**

Planet Digital, Autodesk Training Center Orlando

## REFERENCES

## **Available upon Request**

## WORK EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

2012 - 2013

#### **CREATURE SCULPTOR**



Gale Force Nine I Charlottesville

Proiects/Titles: Dunaeons & Dragons Collector Series

 Sculpted creatures and their environment for Wizard's of the Coast's special commemorative miniature collectible series.

2010 - 2012

## **CHARACTER ARTIST**



Crytek I Orlando

Projects/Titles: Calamityville, Dismounted Soldier, Littoral Combat Systems, and more

- Modeled, UV'd, and textured Gen 3 and Gen 4 character assets from concept to completion.
- · Integrated assets into the engine, shader refinements, and final look development.
- Reviewed and critiqued outsourced content with art lead.
- Tested and innovated new technology to develop cutting edge pipelines and workflows.
- Managed studio training seminars with clients.
- · On-boarded and trained junior artists.

2008 - 2009

## **LEAD ARTIST**



DeadMan Games I Orlando

Proiects/Titles: 'BotBlast

- · Established and maintained visual direction for the game.
- Managed a team of 5 artists, assigning tasks, reviewing work, providing direction, critiques, and training.

2007 - 2013

# **ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR**



Rasmussen College I Online

Programs: Game Design, Graphic Design, and Multimedia

- Covered concepts such as game development, color theory, figure drawing, art and design basics, and more.
- Taught various software applications including ZBrush, 3D Studio Max, Photoshop, and more.

2008 - 2009

#### 3D ARTIST/CONSULTANT

I.M.

JM Wheeler and Associates | Largo

- Collaborated and trained staff on artistic considerations related to creating 3d accident reconstruction animations.
- Supported their digital artist's efforts with rigging, animation, rendering, post fx, and more.

2004 - 2008

**INSTRUCTOR** 

IADT

- International Academy of Design and Technology
- Covered concepts such as user experience design, game development, modeling, texturing, animation, color theory, art and design basics, figure drawing, and more.
- Taught various software applications including 3D Studio Max, Photoshop, and more.
- Helped develop the curriculum for the game design program.