Maxwell Madonna

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EDUCATION

Drexel University Westphal College of Media Arts & Design, Philadelphia, PA Master of Science, *Digital Media & Design*

June 2018 GPA 3.90

University of Connecticut School of Engineering, Storrs, CT Bachelor of Science, Computer Science & Engineering

June 2015 GPA 3.00

PUBLISHED GAMES

OMBRA

Ombra is a re-imagined shoot 'em up arcade game where you can kill enemies by utilizing the environments shadows. Ombra was developed over 4 months as a part of the Xbox Creator's Program, and is currently available on the Microsoft Store and Xbox One.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Applications

Unity, Maya, Xcode, ZBrush, Houdini, Eclipse, Altium, Adobe Photoshop/Illustrator/After Effects

Programming

C#, Swift, C, Obj C, OpenGL, Java, HTML, CSS, PHP, JSON, MySQL, MATLAB, MIPS

DESIGN PROJECTS

Thesis Project

Created a puzzle game based around spatial reasoning in order to test how feedback from an emotional game character affects the player's perceived competence, autonomy, and intrinsic motivation.

Game Workshop

Worked as a project lead and programmer on a 5 person team to create a narrative driven horror game, using experimental dynamic mechanics to change the users perception of the environment.

Animation

Created a 30 second animation based on a scene from the movie Brazil using Maya.

Experimental Games

Designed and developed a series of small experimental games using Unity.

TECHNICAL EXPERIANCE

Systems Design Intern

06/2019-09/2019

Treyarch Studios - Activision Blizzard - Santa Monica, CA

- Worked on creating visual design documents in Adobe Illustrator for new and existing systems for the Call of Duty: Black Ops franchise.
- Worked alongside engineering, animation, and design departments to satisfy the requirements of proposed systems.

Unity Developer, UI/UX Designer

10/2018-05/2019

Savant Systems - Manufactures complete solutions for control and automation - Hyannis, MA

- Worked on designing, prototyping, and initial development of an application to control various services in a smart home.
- Initial design was completed in Sketch, and Unity was used from prototyping and initial development.

Co-Founder, Game Designer, Gameplay Engineer

04/2018-09/2018

Stoa Games - Indie Game Studio - Philadelphia, PA

- Designed, prototyped and developed the Xbox Creator's Program title Ombra.
- Worked in a team of 2 with a short development cycle to release a functional arcade game onto the Microsoft Store and Xbox One.

Research Assistant 05/2017- 07/2018

Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

- Designed, developed and prototyped concepts for an augmented reality game.
- Researching identity change in players to examine the concept of projective reflection in children.

Software Engineer Intern

06/2015-08/2015

Racepoint Energy - Develops software platforms for Solar Energy Monitoring Services - Osterville, MA

- Designing Graphical UI for iOS and OSX applications using OpenGL and Swift to simulate energy gauges.

Software Engineer Intern

06/2013-08/2013

Savant Systems - Manufactures complete solutions for control and automation - Hyannis, MA

- Designed storyboards for an Android Application's UI to provide information and control of a HVAC System.