

**CONNOR ORTON MA, BSC** Games Programmer & Designer

# INTRODUCTION

I am a graduate of Indie Game Production MA where I achieved a pass and I'm also a graduate of Games Production BSc where I achieved first class honours. My other educational achievements include diplomas in the subjects of 2D, 3D game development and ICT. I can write code in several programming languages including C#, C++ and Python alongside having experience with the latest industry standard software, source control and most up to date game engines.

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#### **Game Engine**

- Unity
- Unreal Engine ☆☆☆☆☆
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- Game Maker ☆☆☆☆☆ 3DS Max

# Languages

- C#
- C++
- Python

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### **Programming IDE** Visual Studio ☆☆☆☆☆

### **Art Software**

- ☆☆☆☆ Photoshop
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#### **Source Control**

- GitHub Desktop ☆☆☆☆☆
- SourceTree 수수수수수

# ★★★☆ Word Processing

- Microsoft Word ☆☆☆☆☆
- Microsoft Excel ☆☆☆☆☆

# EDUCATION

## Indie Games Production MA (2021-2023)

#### Falmouth University

- Achieved pass grade. Created several game projects in solo game jams in under 2 weeks. Studied games design, development and industry trends.
- Created an RTS tower defense game demo for dissertation.

### Games Production BSc (2015-2017)

#### Confetti, Institute of Creative Technologies

• Achieved first class honours grade. Created an educational virtual reality survival skills simulation and RPG asset pack in Unreal Engine 4 using Unreal Blueprint. Created several 3D models using 3DS max. Researched industry trends and game design theory.

# Level 3 Games Technology - BTEC Extended Diploma (2013-2014)

# Confetti, Institute of Creative Technologies

• Achieved D\*D\*D\* grade. Developed a visual novel written in Python. Worked in a team to create a game demo using Unreal Engine 3.

# **Level 2 Creative Media Production - BTEC Diploma** (2011-2012)

#### Confetti, Institute of Creative Technologies

• Achieved merit. Developed a platformer in GML using Game Maker.

# Level 2 ICT - BTEC Diploma (2010-2011)

### NCN Clarendon

• Achieved pass grade. Learned basic ICT skills. Achieved level 2 functional skills English and Math.

#### GCSE (2010)

### The Holgate Academy

Achieved several GCSEs. Achieved A in ICT.

# PORTFOLIO

# Kingdom of Eternia RTS TD - (2023-Current)

Unity, C#

- Custom A\* pathfinding algorithm for grid-based actions
- RTS mechanics (Unit hiring, ordering, combat etc.)

# Blight of the Rose - Survival Horror Demo (2022)

Unitv. C#

- 2D pixel art survival horror game developed as part of my MA. Co-developed with artist partner. Wrote all gameplay mechanics such as inventory, missions, crafting, and more.
- Multi controller and platform support.

### Once Upon a Fantasy - RTS Demo (2021)

- Tower defense game for android.
- Developed as part of my MA in under 2 weeks. Wrote all gameplay mechanics.

## Pixel Pinball Arcade (2020)

• Arcade game. Co-developed with artist partner. Wrote all gameplay mechanics. Published to Google Play store for free.

#### Battle Beasts - Asset Pack (2017)

Unreal Engine 4, UE4 Blueprint

• Developed an asset pack as part of my BSc that contains RPG mechanics inspired by the 'Pokemon' game franchise under a tight deadline.

## Dash and Stack (2015)

Unity, C#

- 2D arcade game published to the Google Play store free for older devices.
- Currently being remade in HD.

# **EXPERIENCE**

### Retail Assistant (2010)

### The Carpet Centre - Sutton-in-Ashfield

- Work experience as part of my GCSE's
- Developed communication, team building and DIY skills while assisting in managing a

# Games Tester (2013)

- Diagnosed bugs for a browser-based game as part of my level 3 extended diploma.
- Wrote several bug reports.

# **Play Tester (Various)**

### Confetti, Institute of Creative Technologies Dambuster Studios

- Have done a few paid playtest sessions for the studio for games under NDA
- Given in depth feedback of my experience