

Computer graphics researcher with 8 years of experience with

- > Creating 3D user interaction techniques for data analysis and presentation — for geospatial, medical, and cultural heritage data
- > Developing *Unity* applications in various levels of fidelity — from experimental research prototypes to interactive installations
- > Making interactive 3D prototypes on multiple surfaces — HMD VR, CAVE VR, mobile VR, projection-based AR, large tiled displays
- > Formulating requirements on multi-disciplinary collaboration projects — working with scientists, museum curators, and artists

EDUCATION

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| 2014-2022 | Ph.D., Computer Science > Advisor: Daniel F. Keefe > Dissertation title: <i>Everyday Scientific Visualization: Making 3D Visualization Techniques Accessible for Day-To-Day Team-Science for Collaboration and Analysis</i> > Specializations: Data visualization, virtual reality, data storytelling | UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA – Minneapolis, MN |
| 2012-2014 | M.S., Computer Science > Specializations: Computer graphics, virtual reality | UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA – Minneapolis, MN |
| 2008-2012 | B.S., Computer Science > Specializations: Computer graphics, user interfaces | UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA – Minneapolis, MN |

SKILLS

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| Programming Languages | C#, C++, Java, Cg/HLSL, Processing |
| Development Tools | Unity, OpenGL, Git, CMake, MPI, Visual Studio, Visual Studio Code, Docker |
| 3D Tracking Systems | OptiTrack, Microsoft Kinect, Leap Motion, Vuforia, OpenCV |
| Display Technologies | HMD VR, CAVE VR, Mobile VR, Projection-based AR, Large Tiled Displays, 3D Printing |
| Software & Tools | Photoshop, Illustrator, Shotcut |

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

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| 2022-Present | Postdoctoral Fellow > Upgrade Intel's raytracing application to facilitate immersive virtual reality experiences > Extend its core rendering engine to display a single coherent virtual environment on tiled display walls > Develop interaction techniques for gesture-based scene navigation and object manipulation > Lead a monthly meeting with software engineers at Intel to communicate prototyping decisions and discuss strategies for integrating new changes into their codebase > Collaborate with research scientists in high-performance computing to make the application run on tiled display walls driven by a cluster of nineteen Linux PCs C++ CMake MPI TCP/IP Docker Intel OSPRay Studio Microsoft Kinect Large Tiled Displays | UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS – Austin, TX |
| 2019-2021 <small>Alternative Military Service</small> | Technical Research Personnel > Participated in cross-institutional collaboration projects that require public exhibitions every year > Collaborate with external teams to design interactive installations for history museums > Led internal meetings with designers, developers, and curators to formulate realistic plans and tasks > Developed visualization and interaction techniques for use by museum visitors to explore museums' archived data using gesture-based interaction > Facilitated regular lab tours for visiting outside collaborators and stakeholders Unity C# Microsoft Kinect Large Format Displays | GWANGJU INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY – Gwangju, S. Korea |
| 2014-2019 | Research Assistant > Created 3D interactive systems to assist scientists with analyzing and presenting their data > Collaborated on 3 multi-disciplinary projects involving teams at the U.S. National Forest Services, the Center for Spirituality and Healing, and the Medical Device Center > Developed interactive AR/VR prototypes for both expert-driven and public-facing use cases > Facilitated regular virtual reality lab tours for visiting faculty and school groups Unity C# Processing R OptiTrack MS Kinect HMD VR CAVE VR Mobile VR Projection-based AR 3D Printing | UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA – Minneapolis, MN |

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| Summer 2018 | Research Intern > Investigated ways of leveraging storytelling and lightweight communication for science collaboration > Developed frameworks for creating data stories and collaborating around exchanged stories in different device settings, e.g., in browsers, phones, and desktop settings Unity C# PHP MySQL JavaScript CSS HTML | INRIA – Saclay, France |
| 2011-2014 | Programmer > Worked with pathologists to develop a Photoshop-like JAVA application for assembling scanned tissue images into a complete organ and annotating cancer boundaries for further data analysis > Integrated Java3D to view and interact with drawn cancer boundaries in 3D and implemented corresponding interaction functionalities Java Java3D | UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA – Minneapolis, MN |

PUBLIC EXHIBITIONS

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| December 2021 | Developer, “The Road of Hyecho.” Interactive installation at Gwangju Cultural Foundation. S. Korea. News Unity C# Microsoft Kinect Projection Wall |
| December 2020 | Developer, “The Road of Ramayana.” Interactive installation at Asia Culture Center. Gwangju, S. Korea. YouTube News News Unity C# Microsoft Kinect Large Format Display |
| November 2014 | Developer, “Spatial Correlation: An Interactive Display of Virtual Gesture Sculpture.” Interactive installation at IEEE VIS 2014 Arts Program. Paris, France. YouTube Publication Processing Java GLSL Microsoft Kinect V1 |

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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| VR/AR | J. W. Nam , K. McCullough, J. Tveite, M. M. Espinosa, C. H. Perry, B. T. Wilson, and D. F. Keefe, “Worlds-in-wedges: Combining worlds-in-miniature and portals to support comparative immersive visualization of forestry data,” in <i>2019 IEEE conference on virtual reality and 3D user interfaces (VR)</i> , 2019, pp. 747–755. doi: 10.1109/VR.2019.8797871 YouTube Presentation IEEE VR Poster - J. W. Nam , C. H. Perry, B. T. Wilson, and D. F. Keefe, “Linked view visualization using clipboard-style mobile vr: Application to communicating forestry data,” IEEE VIS Posters, 2019 YouTube SciVis Best Poster Award D. F. Keefe, B. Herman, J. W. Nam , D. T. Orban, and S. Johnson, “Hybrid data constructs: Interacting with biomedical data in augmented spaces,” in <i>Making Data: The Creative Practice of Materialising Digital Information</i> . London: Bloomsbury, 2022, ch. 11, pp. 169–182. doi: 10.5040/9781350133266.ch-011 Poster - N. Park, Y. Hong, H. Park, J. W. Nam , K. Kim, J. Pyo, K. Gil, and K. Lee, “Effects of age and motivation for visiting on ar museum experiences,” ACM VRST Posters, 2019. doi: 10.1145/3359996.3364711 |
| 3D UI | J. W. Nam , T. Isenberg, and D. F. Keefe, “V-mail: 3d-enabled correspondence about spatial data on (almost) all your devices,” <i>IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics</i> , 2022, (in publication). doi: 10.1109/TVCG.2022.3229017 YouTube J. W. Nam and D. F. Keefe, “Spatial correlation: An interactive display of virtual gesture sculpture,” <i>Leonardo</i> , vol. 50, no. 1, pp. 94–95, 2017. doi: 10.1162/LEON_a_01226 YouTube |
| Medical VIS | H. Farooq, J. Xu, J. W. Nam , D. F. Keefe, E. Yacoub, T. Georgiou, and C. Lenglet, “Microstructure imaging of crossing (mix) white matter fibers from diffusion mri,” <i>Nature Scientific Reports</i> , vol. 6, no. 38927, 2016. doi: 10.1038/srep38927 |