

# Diego Fonseca

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## Introduction

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I specialize in graphics programming, utilizing OpenGL, Vulkan, and Metal. I enjoy experimenting with new domains to meet the demands of specific projects, whether learning new languages, APIs, or exploring completely new fields of software engineering.

I'm a strong supporter of open-source projects, and anyone can find my contributions via my GitHub handle: [🐙 Just Feeshy](#)

## Experience

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### The JTC Modding Team

C++, Haxe, GLSL, Lua

September 2021 –  
December 2022  
*Lead Programmer*

- Reduced RAM usage from **3 GiB to 600 MB** by moving large assets to GPU memory and optimizing resource loading; improved runtime performance and supported a release that reached **720k views** on YouTube and **14k downloads**.
- Built an engine-level modding framework for Friday Night Funkin' with in-game tools/UI and implemented custom LuaJIT scripting, enabling non-engine contributors to implement content via scripts and reducing turnaround time for changes.

### Orc Face Games

C++, Objective-C, OpenGL, AngelScript, Python

February 2024 – June 2024  
*Game Engine Developer*

- Spearheaded the macOS launch of the flagship 3D dungeon-crawler *HarleQuest!* Originally a crowdfunded Dreamcast/PC roguelike that raised **£15,728** from **275 backers**, this launch significantly expanded platform reach and market accessibility.

### Two-Way Ray-marching Research

3D Math, C, WebAssembly, Emscripten, Lua, GLSL, OpenGL

December 2024 – Present  
*Lead Researcher*

- Conducted research on optimizing ray-marching, a technique for rendering complex 3D scenes via per-pixel ray traversal. Achieved a **20%** performance boost while maintaining quality standards crucial for successful gaming application launches.

## Open Source Projects & Contributions

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### Spoopy Framework

C, Metal, Slang, NodeJS

April 2021 – Present  
*Creator*

- Created as a high school capstone project for desktop platforms, this framework later evolved into a versatile graphics framework powering custom video games, visual effects tools, and real-time rendering applications.
- Recognized by the OpenFL development community for pioneering Vulkan/Metal integration.

### The Slope Game

Java, Kotlin, LWJGL, OpenGL, GLSL

October 2024 – Present  
*Leader*

- Designed and led educational sessions for college students, demystifying computer graphics through hands-on applications of linear algebra and core computer science concepts like circular buffers.

## Education

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| <b>AS</b> | <b>Northern Virginia Community College</b> , Engineering                                      | June 2023 - December 2025 |
|           | • GPA: 4.0/4.0  |                           |
| <b>VS</b> | <b>Stanford University</b> , Computer Science   | June 2024 – August 2024   |
|           | • GPA: 3.7/4.0  |                           |
|           | • <b>Coursework:</b> Mathematical Foundations of Computing, Computer Organization and Systems |                           |

## Technologies

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**Languages:** C++, C, Java, Objective-C, Haxe, GLSL, JavaScript, Lua, Kotlin, AngelScript, Python, C#, WebAssembly

**Technologies & APIs:** OpenGL, WebGL, Vulkan, Metal, Git, Vim, XCode, Unity, Emscripten

## Awards

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| <b>Academies of Loudoun Hackathon 2nd Best Overall Project</b><br><i>C#, Unity</i> | May 2022 & May 2023 |
| <b>Competitive Programming at University of Maryland</b><br><i>Java</i>            | February 2023       |