# **Zans Gurskis**

# Game Dev | Lecturer

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I have a coaching mentality- loyal, responsive and highly ambitious. I take pride in my work, with confidence in my actions. I excel working with a group of people. Feedback and flexibility drive my creative process. I am fearless when it comes to challenging myself, I focus on fulfilment regardless of my abilities. My aspiration for making games is to enchant child-like astonishment and deliver a meaningful experience.

#### Online Portfolio

http://thecuttlefish.github.io

# Experience

2018 Game Dev at Glitchers

Unity Developer focus in all aspect of the app for a new client: from environment to game mechanics. Working with shaders, C# scripting, post-processing and building Unity tools. We use agile methodologies (sprints and daily stand ups) and share the project with the team using Git.

2018 - 2017 Lecturer at University of the Arts London

Lecturer in the Game Design Summer Course. Teaching Game Design and Unity Development.

2018 – 2016 Associate Lecturer at University of the Arts London

Associate lecturer in the BA Game Design Course, supporting Game Development, 3D Development and Game Design Theory modules. Working as a lecturer is a very rewarding and enjoyable experience, seeing many original concepts becoming fully playable prototypes by the end of each course.

2015 Game Dev at Zaubug

My responsibilities where to design, develop and publish games. I Had the opportunity to present our games at various game conferences. Working closely with promotion and marketing gave me a better insight about other aspects of the game production apart from design and development.

2015 - 2014 Game Dev | Course Assistant at University of the Arts London

2010 Junior Graphics Designer at **Dentsu London** 

2009 Web Designer | Graphics Designer at Software Architects & local businesses

#### Education

2019 – 2016 Master of Science in Computer Games Technology at City, University London

I have learned a lot about computer shaders and 3D graphics. I've studied C++ and developed an Al project based on flocking behaviour using Bullet Physics Engine. In my free time, I have worked with my friend on AR and VR project. I spend a lot of time learning and working with different technology.

2014 - 2011 Bachelor of Arts in Games Design [1:1] at University of the Arts London

It was a perfect environment to expand my knowledge and skills with a great collective of creative people. Every year, we had a show where we had feedback from industry professionals, which lead to a better focus and understanding commercial game development.

2006 - 2005 Graduate of Art Course at Saules College of Arts and Design

I have always done something creative. Taking a course in art solidified my abilities and gave me ideas and awareness of where to apply my skills.

#### Skills

Game Design Theory | Art Theory | Prototyping | Design Patterns | OOP | 3D modelling

# Software

Unity Pro | Adobe: Animate, Photoshop, Illustrator | 3Ds Max | Blender 3D | MS Office

## Programming Languages

C++ | C# | JavaScript | ActionScript 3 | HTML | CSS | XML | jQuery

#### Languages

English | Russian

### Interests

Computer Graphics | Graphic Design | Psychology | Game Jamming | Gaming | Comics | Walking

<sup>\*</sup>References available on request.