# Gonçalo de Jesus

Narrative & Game Designer ≥ Writer ≥ Game Developer



## **Experience**

ROGUE Lead Game Programmer @ Rogue Artists Ensemble

- Led programming for narrative-focused AR game Kaidan Project: Alone;
- **☞** Created tools for smoother asset integration by non-technical teammates;
- **☞** Programmed LA-based augmented reality events and interactions.



# **Technical Narrative Designer** @ Ground Control Studios

- **☞** Developed plot and content for a narrative-oriented puzzle game;
- Co-wrote with guidance from a narrative consultant;
- Created and maintained narrative and puzzle design documents;
- **☞** Prototyped in-engine narrative sequences and game mechanics.



# Game Designer, Level Designer as Arboresis Studio

- Designed and developed casual mobile games **Phased** and **Ink**;
- ▶ Prototyped and wrote story content for Regents of the Undead Realm and Uphaven Chronicles:
- wrote and launched An Interdimensional Ode to the Oresis Tree.



## Tech Lead (Parental Leave Cover) @ Exaud

12/2023 - 02/2024 | Full-time

- ► Led a Research and Development team to exceed client expectations;
- **☞** Streamlined non-technical team members' pipelines with designer-friendly tools;
- **☞** Generated great interest in moving the project into pre-production.



# Technical Writer, Software Developer @ Exaud

10/2020 - Present | Full-time

- Designed and implemented multiplayer features in gamified experiences;
- Authored internal technical and design documentation;
- Presented project proposals within technical specifications.
- Designed a level for an online gamified experience.



#### Scriptwriter @ Dweebs Global

01/2021 - 05/2021 | Freelance

**☞** Wrote scripts for mental health awareness videos, promoting Dweebs Global's free mentorship and therapy services.



UI & UX Designer @ HEI-Lab Universidade Lusófona 11/2019 - 03/2020 | Internship

- **■** Designed UX based on research in emotional responses;
- **☞** Translated gathered insights into user-centered interfaces.

### Contacts

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#### Relevant Links

#### Personal Website

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### Portfolio ≀ Writing Samples

Portfolio on Website

#### QR Code for the Website:



## Project Summary

Click the project icons to take a look!



Game Designer · Level Designer



Level Designer



Lead Game Programmer



This World of Orange



Technical Narrative Designer



Game Writer · Programmer



'The Ball Who Wanted More' (stop-motion short) Writer · Video Editor



Dweebs Global YouTube channel Scriptwriter



Technical Writer · Unity Developer Emotional Recognition Research



UI/UX Designer · Unity Developer



Motion Graphics Designer

## Experience Summary

- 3 years of writing experience
  - 1 year in creative writing
  - 2 years in technical writing
- 2 years of game and level design experience (independently-led development)
- 5 years of programming experience
- 1 year of team-leading experience

# **Additional Information**

## Language Skills

Portuguese

Fluent (native language)

English

Fluent (C2)

Spanish

Intermediate (B1)

## Education



Bachelor's Degree in Videogames and Multimedia Applications

09/2017 - 06/2020 | Lusófona University of Porto

Grade: Finished top of class, with a 4.1/5 GPA

- Game Design I & II: 18 out of 20
- **☞** Scriptwriting and Interactive Narratives: 16 out of 20
- **☞** Interaction Design: 16 out of 20
- **☞** Communication Design: 17 out of 20
- ► All Programming courses 16 or above

#### References

More references available upon request

#### **■** Sean Cawelti

Former Theater and Opera Director @ Rogue Artists Ensemble

Relationship: Project Manager in Kaidan Project: Alone

#### LinkedIn

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#### Rui Craveirinha

UX Researcher @ Player Research

Relationship: Writing Professor at Lusófona University of Porto

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