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Top Skills

Creative Writing
Photoshop
Drawing

Manny Hagopian

Senior Writer at Respawn Entertainment
New York, New York

Summary

After studying to be a comedy writer at the UCB theater in LA and NYC, Manny found himself working as the assistant to the writer Jesse Stern (NCIS, COD: Modern Warfare). Within the years of working for Stern, Manny continued his comedy writing studies and eventually graduated to writing and producing his own staged performances. With a musical background, Manny began combining his two skills and wrote a number of comedy musicals: Back To The Future 2 The Musical, Tonya Harding The Musical, which appeared on E! Entertainment, the New York Times, and Entertainment Weekly, Assistants the Musical, which was Timeout's Number one show to see at the 2015 Fringe awards and was accepted into NYMF. His latest show about Amelia Earhart is performing around Los Angeles at the UCB Theater and The Rockwell.

During the development of Titanfall 1 by Respawn Entertainment, Manny and Stern were brought on board to help shape the story. Manny was tasked with writing a bundle of background dialogue that he assumed would never be heard, but ended up becoming a fan favorite. Kotaku wrote an article about how interesting the Grunts were in Titanfall, while fans created YouTube videos titled "Shit My Grunt Says", which consisted of all the dialogue Manny wrote for the game including comedy bits and lore of the universe. When Titanfall 2 was being developed, Manny was brought on as the freelance writer to lead the dialogue writing for the Single Player Campaign. With assistance by Stern, Manny took the reigns and helped develop the story as well as the most talked about relationship between the player (Pilot Jack Cooper) and their buddy robot (BT-7274). Titanfall 2's campaign was nominated for multiple Game of the Year awards and the successful relationship between the player and their Titan brought multiple people to tears and joy - a successful goal for any writer.

Experience

Respawn Entertainment
Senior Writer
2019 - Present

Respawn Entertainment
Writer
September 2015 - Present
chatsworth, ca

Respawn Entertainment
Writer Assistant
January 2013 - December 2014 (2 years)

Snake Oil Productions
Researcher
December 2011 - March 2012 (4 months)

I work on the show Finding Bigfoot. I research videos, find and speak with witnesses, and assist with the creative writing for each episode.

Ping Pong Productions
Researcher
December 2011 - March 2012 (4 months)
Finding Bigfoot

YooStar Entertainment Group, Inc.
Moderator
July 2011 - February 2012 (8 months)

Mandt Bros
Researcher
September 2011 - November 2011 (3 months)

Education

Upright Citizens Brigade Theater