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Software Engineer

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Education

University of Brussels

2015-2017 **Master of Science in Applied Sciences and Engineering: Computer Science**
Major in Multimedia, graduated with distinction

2011-2015 **Bachelor of Science**
Major in Computer Science, Minor in Applied Mathematics

European School 3 Ixelles, Brussels

2011 **European Baccalaureate**
Languages, Arts and Sciences

Experience

Supervisor Pipeline Development - Sep. 2023-Present

nWave Studios

- Role**
- Department lead and line manager of the development team
 - Planning, project management, and technical delivery of new USD pipeline
 - Daily operations production support for two studios (Brussels and Liège)
- Achievements**
- Expanded the dev team from 2 to 6 people
 - Established new team organization, ways of working, and external communications
 - Organized and implemented transition to the new studio pipeline built around Pixar's USD framework

Pipeline Software Developer (TD) - Jul. 2020-Aug.2023

nWave Studios

- Role**
- Develop and maintain the movie production pipeline as a generalist TD
 - Provide bug fixes and new functionalities for multiple department tools
 - Central point of contact for Production department, prioritization and processing of new requests
- Achievements**
- Optimized data flow between departments as well as task management automatization
 - Shifted entire studio to new production tracking platform in 8 months (ftrack)

VR Software Developer - Jul. 2018-Jun.2020

Parallaxter, PresenZ

- Role**
- Work in a team creating a novel method to render 360° volumetric 6-DoF videos to be displayed on VR headsets
 - Research and design an optimized approach for capturing and representing volumetric data that could be used in a 3D development pipeline
- Achievements**
- Improved raytracing algorithm speed and calculations for glass/hair
 - Significantly reduced point cloud density by 15-20%

Internship VR Development - Jan. 2018-Jun. 2018

Parallaxter, PresenZ

I created plugins for Maya using the Pixar's RenderMan SDK and Parallaxter's PresenZ technology in C++ (MSVS).

Lab assistant bioengineering laboratory (student job) - 2016-2017

University of Brussels

Worked as a lab assistant for logistic support in the bioengineering laboratory, monitoring and documenting the proceedings in the in-vivo laboratory, and ensuring correct protocols were followed.

Management Scientific Student Association - 2011-2015

University of Brussels

As a key member on the leadership team of the Scientific Student Association, I organized educational and social events for science students and alumni of the university.

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Software Development

Programming languages

My work requires me to routinely design and write programs in Python, C++ and other OO-languages using software patterns to solve complex problems. I also have experience with web development languages: HTML, CSS, Javascript, etc. Other languages I have used in the past include Java, Matlab, Prolog, and Scheme.

Software

I have acquired experience with development platforms such as Visual Studio, Eclipse, Clion, Qt Framework, and others. By working on team projects, I have learned to use version control repositories such as Gitlab, SourceTree, Jenkins, and Github. I am familiar with Pixar's USD platform. As a designer I have worked professionally with Adobe CS and used 3D graphics software such as Blender, Maya, 3ds Max, Houdini, and Zbrush.

Languages

Dutch	Native language	•••••
Spanish	Native language	•••••
English	Full professional proficiency	•••••
French	Professional working proficiency	•••••

Interests

Professional	Imaging & Video Technologies, 2D/3D Animation, Computer Graphics, Rendering Techniques
Personal	Art, Oil Painting & Drawing, Running, Fitness