

# Noah Eichler

## Game Designer

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## Skills

### Tools

Unity, C#, Javascript, Git, Photoshop, Illustrator, Blender, FL Studio, Trello.

### Techniques

Iterative design and playtesting, C# programming in Unity, prototyping, metagame analysis, and process documentation.

### Growth Mindset

Inclined to ask questions, respectful of different thought processes, and accepting of criticism.

## Experience

### Private Math Tutor

Oct 2021 - PRESENT

- Subjects included: IB Math (Calculus), Basic Statistics, Honors Physics.
- Applied numerous communication and pedagogical practices to meet the unique needs and proficiency levels of students.

## Awards

### Why I Love ‘You Will Not Beat This Game’ Despite Thinking That It’s Probably Right — *Forbes.com*

“A complicated ball of frustration and intrigue that proves a game’s framing, its story, its aesthetics, can do as much to hook a player as beautiful graphics or a AAA budget.”

### UCSC Regents Scholarship

“Awarded in recognition of outstanding academic achievement.” - UC Santa Cruz

## Education

### University of California Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA — *Computer Science (Game Design)*

June 2020 - PRESENT

## Games & Projects

### You Will Not Beat This Game

Jul 2018 - Aug 2018

- “To be fair, I’m awful at platformers. But then, I’m not sure if this is a platformer—I can’t get a grasp on the genre, nor the controls, but that’s by design.” - Forbes.com
- Devised and implemented three AI bosses with differing degrees of difficulty and gameplay perception.
- Visually designed levels in Photoshop and Illustrator.

### Cloud Story

Feb 2022 - Present

- Used Unity to create an RPG with a quirky character interaction system.
- Applied playtests to guide architectural flow and reveal emergent player-environment interactions.
- Documented playtest feedback, design objectives, and gameplay iteration.
- Drew 3D pixel-art assets using Aseprite and a custom tool in Blender.
- Composed music, implemented adaptive SFX.

### Ground (Out of) Control

July 2020

- Submission for the Game Maker’s Toolkit Community Jam 2020.
- The player may use the game’s music and sound effects to their advantage.

**I have composed 150+ unique music tracks** over the past four years— many of which were **team collaborations** for Nelward’s Discord server.

**I am always learning** (and building) new tools for making videos, games, “shorts” of music, creative concepts, etc.

**I spent one week researching and remastering the Nintendo DS game “Freakyforms”**, for the 2021 “Modernize” game jam.

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