Paul Avallone

WORK EXPERIENCE

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EDUCATION

Rochester Institute of Technology 2016 - 2020

B.S. in Game Design and Development Minor in Computer Science

GPA: 3.61 - Magna Cum Laude

SKILLS

- Programming

- Game Design
- UI/UX
- Level Design
- Video Editing
- Art

Languages

- C++ - C#
- Blueprints - C
- JavaScript - Java
- HTML - CSS

Software

- Unreal Engine 4/5
- Visual Studio
- Android Studio
- Adobe Photoshop
- Confluence
- Microsoft Office
- Movie Studio Platinum
- Unity
- Rider
- Perforce
- GitHub
- Jira
- Blender
- Movie Studio Platinum
- Miro

PERSONAL PROJECTS

Usurper (Steam 09/09/24) 2022 – Present

Made an indie roguelike deck-building game with a small team. Contributing to game design, UI/UX, art, marketing, video editing, and programming. 4,000+ Wishlists & available now.

<u>Game Jams</u> (Itch.io) 2018 – 2023

Participated in five game jams, creating a game with a small team each time in 2-3 days. Two projects have been ranked in the top 10% from thousands of entries. One ranked 17th in humor.

The Devhouse Agency:

Software Engineer

Dallas, TX April 2024 – October 2024

Unannounced Unreal Engine 5 FPS/VR game:

- Programming player mechanics and game features.
- Level design and gameplay flow.
- Implemented menu UI and closed captions.

Unannounced Unity Co-op game:

- Implemented UI and debugged gameplay elements.
- Assembled cutscene cinematics.

ForwardXP:

Software Engineer

Dallas, TX August 2021 – July 2023

Please, Don't Touch Anything: House Broken (Quest 3):

- Co-designed and programmed interactions, puzzles, and endings.
- Wrote documentation on MR platform limitations and performed comparison tests between MR in UE4 vs Unity.
- Investigated MR titles and compiled best practices.
- Participated in regular playtest and feedback sessions.

Unannounced Unreal Engine 4 VR game:

- Co-designed and implemented player movement, inventory, and interaction mechanics.
- Designed control/instruction diagrams using Photoshop.
- Playtesting, debugging, and balancing.
- Filmed and edited gameplay trailer for external pitches.

Arashi: Castles of Sin - Final Cut (PSVR2, Quest 2, PC):

- Contributed to control scheme redesign.
- Researched similar titles and wrote documentation on potential gameplay improvements.

Please, Don't Touch Anything [update 2.2] (Quest 2):

- Updated player interactions and game visuals.
- Replaced legacy player movement.
- UI improvements and added accessibility features.
- Bug fixes and quality of life improvements.

Horizon Worlds: World Hop mini-games (Quest 2):

- Rapid prototyping.
- Conceptualized, designed, and implemented gameplay in beta visual scripting language.
- Took part in regular discussions with clients.
- Playtested and iterated on internal and client feedback.

Netsmart:

Software Engineer

Great River, NY November 2020 – August 2021

- Programmed and debugged in a proprietary language called Caché to solve Jira tickets.

BAE Systems, Inc: Software Engineer Intern

Greenlawn, NY

May - August 2019

 Developed and programmed an Android app for the Vuzix M300 Smart Glasses.

Lavner Camps:

Technology Instructor

Old Westbury, NY

June – August 2018

- Taught ages 7-14 programming and game design