

# PETER VANDER RHODES

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## SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS

- Proficient in C++, C#, and Python programming languages, along with the Unity game development platform
- High level of Mathematics knowledge including Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistics, and Calculus
- Some skill in Robotics, Javascript and BASIC language
- Excellent at problem solving
- Experience with version control with Git and SVN
- Experience with Agile development and Scrum practices

## PROGRAMMING PROJECTS

Beat of the Ocean April 2023  
Programmer Team Size: 09

- 2D top-down battle boat simulator built in Unity where the player uses a bongo controller to pilot a boat
- Programmed Unity to recognize inputs from the Nintendo GameCube Donkey Kong Bongos controller, including the separate bongos and the clap sensor
- Implemented weapon systems such as ballista, cannons, and corvuses utilizing game physics principles
- Worked with onboarding new members midway through the project and defusing arguments
- Wrote systems and mechanics documents and technical documents
- Guided and participated in focus group testing and used testing feedback to improve final product

Astroknight Adventure March 2022  
Programmer Team Size: 01

- 2D platformer built in Unity where players slowly gain new abilities, such as a dash, double jump, and wall jump
- Used Piskel to create art assets for the project

Harmony March 2023  
Programmer Team Size: 06

- 2D top-down game built in Unity showcasing what people with chromesthesia see as players search for band members
- Implemented dialogue system allowing players to talk to the members with branching dialogue trees

Fishy Catastrophe December 2021  
Programmer Team Size: 05

- 2D top-down beat-em-up game built in Unity where player defeats fish enemies to reach the goal
- Used Visual Studio 2019 to code the project
- Implemented movement systems, combat, camera mechanics, enemy AI

## EDUCATION

Champlain College, Burlington, VT Expected May 2025  
Bachelor of Science Degree in Game Programming major with Mathematics minor GPA: 3.0

- Dean's List Fall 2023
- Coursework includes: Graphics and Animation, AI for Games, Game Physics, Data Structures and Algorithms, Game Architecture, Vector Calculus, Linear Algebra, Matrices and 3D Math

Lexington High School, Lexington, MA June 2021

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

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Nordstrom Rack, Burlington MA

June 2022 – Aug 2022

Floor Team Member, Cashier

June 2023 – Aug 2023

- Provided customer service at check out, assisted customers in finding and checking out clothing
- Returned clothes to their places on the racks after customers were done trying them on