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## **WORK EXPERIENCE / PUBLISHED TITLES**

## • Timba Games, Gameplay Programmer

December 2016 - Present: Onsite

- o Develop gameplay features for multiple work for hire projects.
- Maintain and update code written by third party contractors.

#### Tools

o Unity, C#, Git.

# Moana: Rhythm Run - Cocodrilo Dog Games & Disney Interactive – iOS Game Gameplay and UI Programmer

August 2016 - December 2016: Remote

- o Extended a core functionality to some of the Main Characters' and Enemies' behaviors.
- o Worked on multiple UIs' functionalities: Main Menu, Scrollable Map and Loading Scenes.
- Extended a modular system to create random-loopable levels.
- o Integrated different kind of assets (Sprites, 3D Models, Textures, UI modules...).
- Used Photoshop to cut, trim and export some assets.
- o Optimized most of the images/textures to reduce the app's size.
- Worked on some UI animations using the Unity Animation Editor.

This title was featured by Apple.

#### **Tools**

Unity, C#, Git, Photoshop.

#### 50+ published web games – Rainbow Tree Inc

October 2015 - November 2016: Onsite

## **Game Programmer, Tools Programmer and Software Engineer**

- Shipped games for the Web, Android and iOS platforms at the <u>arbolabc.com</u> games portal.
- Developed different in-house tools to reduce workflow time.
- o Contributed to allow a Multi-Resolution compatibility between different devices and browsers.
- Evaluate new technologies and summarized the ones that works better for the games and apps to be developed.

#### Tools

HTML5, Javascript, Phaser, Game Maker Studio, Java (Tools), Shell Scripting (Tools).

## • Cocodrilo Dog Games, Gameplay and Unity Editor Tools Programmer (Intern)

February 2015 - August 2015: Onsite

- o Programmed an Animations Memory System to support blending and rewinding animations of previous actions.
- Worked on a Level Editor using the Unity Editor Extension Tools.
- Integrated different kind of assets (Sprites, 3D Models and Textures).

#### **Titles**

- Don Tomate y Las Vocales Android & iOS game (Published on Android Soft launch).
- o Beat Boy Xbox One / PS4 / PC MAC game (in production Steam Greenlight).
- o Kulipari Xbox One / PS4 / PC game (Canceled).

## Tools

o Unity, Unity Editor Tools, C#.

# Student Research Assistant, Universidad Nacional de Colombia – Medellín, CO

September 2014 - February 2015: Onsite

- $\circ \quad \text{Research and Paper publication (Springer)}.$
- O Wrote PHP scripts and SQL queries to setup a database connectivity inside the game.
- O Developed an In-game Chat.
- Programmed the Login and Signup modules.
- Used the Al/Navigation Systems of Unity to allow players to move around the 3D world.

## Titles

O PLACCO – PC – Mac game (in production).

# Tools

Unity, C#, PHP, SQL/PLSQL.

## **EDUCATION**

- Certificate of Completion: C++ Course, SoloLearn #1051-3764627 https://www.sololearn.com/Profile/3764627/ (February 2017).
- Bachelor in Software Engineering, Universidad Nacional de Colombia Medellín, CO (January 2010 May 2016).
- Certificate in Video Games Development Vivelab at RutaN, Universidad de Medellín and Institución Universitaria Pascual Bravo (2014 3 months).
- Certificate in Game Development with Windows & Unity Microsoft AppUniversity (2014 2 months).
- Video Game Design, Organization and Evaluation, and Gamification Universidad Europea MiriadaX (2014 1 month).
- Certificate in Organic Modeling of Characters in Autodesk MAYA SENA (2014 1 month).

## **SPEAKER**

 Design of an Educational Videogame to Transform Citizens into Agents of Change Considering a Colombian Post-Conflict Scenario -PAAMS 2015.