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About

I have been employed as a designer at Hooplo Media since August 2011, running this work parallel with my degree up until it's completion in June 2012. I am aiming to extend my professional portfolio into the art and conceptual fields within the games industry.

Experience

August 2011 - Present: Game Designer at Hooplo Media

Role: Game concept design, evaluation and balancing.

Researching, creating and pitching new ideas, as well as expanding and redesigning existing games. As lead designer, I was head of a division of programmers and artists from beginning of game concept until prototype production.

Published Games:

- Usain Bolt Athletics (http://www.facebook.com/UsainBoltAthletics)
- Cristiano Ronaldo Footy (http://www.facebook.com/footygame)

Unpublished Games:

- Worked extensively on a social collectible card game for a major fantasy war-game IP, from concept to creation.
- Worked extensively on a tie-in social game for a major fantasy RPG IP.
- Worked on multiple mini games for a standalone platform, from concept to creation.
- Lead designer on a tie-in mobile mini game for a major fantasy MMORPG IP.

Skills

- Game concept design
- Game architecture design
- Strong concept and pitch presentation
- Paper prototyping and storyboarding
- Strong concept art design
- Game systems, mechanics and UI
- Game tuning and balancing
- Level and map design
- Story and narrative design

- Excellent documentation
- Excellent research and evaluation
- Strong written and verbal communication
- Familiar with various monetisation strategies
- Experience with social games
- Experience with mobile games
- · Fluent English and Russian language skills
- Basic Finnish and French language skills

Tools

- Proficient in Photoshop & Illustrator
- Proficient in 3DS Max
- Proficient in Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.)
- Moderate programming skills in Flash (AS2), C# (XNA), Unity (JavaScript)
- ASET Degree in Web Design (HTML & CSS)

Education

2009 - 2012: London College of Communication FdA/BA in Interactive Games Design

2005 - 2009: Kulosaaren Yhteiskoulu (Kulosaari Secondary School)

A-level English Language & Literature, Art & Design, Psychology, Geography