Vaida Plankyte

Passionate about games as an artistic medium & management of educational events.

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EDUCATION

Sep 2015 - The University of Edinburgh, Computer Science with Management

May 2019 **(BEng)**

First-year curriculum: Functional Programming (Haskell),

Object-Oriented Programming (**Java**), Computation and Logic, Data and Analysis, Cognitive Science, Calculus and its Applications, Introduction to

Linear Algebra, Industrial Management

Spring 2016 **Developing Graphic Design - The University of Edinburgh**

Short course that aims to improve on already existing knowledge of

graphic design and teach both practical and professional skills.

Autumn 2015 CodeFirst: Girls

6-week outside course. Introduction to front end web development covering the basics of **HTML/CSS** and **jQuery**. Included a final project.

Summer 2015 **HEADSTART Game Development Summer School**

A one-week program in Antwerp designed to provide new entrants to the industry with a broad range of skills in the field of game development.

2008 - 2015 European Baccalaureate at the European School of Brussels II

Overall average mark of **95.16%**, with year marks in Mathematics: 94.2%, Economics: 91.6%, French: 94.4%, English: 98.4%, Spanish:

97.7%.

PROJECTS

March 2014 - One Game A Month

Present One small experiment in game design/interactive fiction per month. The

collection has more than 20 games.

September There Is A Light That Never Goes Out

2015 Responsible for the entirety of the programming (using Construct 2) and

sound design in a team of four. The game was featured at International

<u>Festival For Independent Games'</u> "Games For Everyone" Pavilion, and appeared in an article about mental health in games in <u>the Scotsman</u>.

April 2014 Talks With My Mom

An interactive work in Construct 2 about gender and sexuality that appeared on <u>Kotaku</u> and on <u>VICE</u>. Experiment on the autobiographical potential of video games, made independently in two days.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2016 Hack The Burgh Hackathon Organiser

A 30-hour hackathon at the University of Edinburgh that welcomes \sim 100 hackers. Responsible for volunteers/staff and marketing.

2015 - 2016 Microsoft Student Partner & Editor

MSPs represent Microsoft at their University and educate others about technology through events and workshops. The Editors produce content for Microsoft blogs.

2014 - 2015 High School's Newspaper - Responsible for IT

Co-founded the <u>newspaper</u>, helped design the blog and built an audience though the Facebook page. Improved in marketing and graphic design.

2013 - 2015 **High School Festival Organisation**

Participated two years as a crew member, one as a crew coordinator for the largest festival of the school. Learnt how to manage a large group of volunteers, organise a schedule and deal with issues under stress.

Summer 2014 **European Council**

2-week work experience in the administrative branch of the EU Council. Learnt about the layout of European Institutions and their work process.

2013 - 2014 Mini-Enterprise

Young Enterprise project - students create a firm based around a product, and are able to put their management, brand building and sales knowledge into practice. Received an **Entrepreneurial Skills Pass**.

ADDITIONAL SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Programming Haskell (familiar), IDEs: Twine (proficient) Construct 2 (proficient)

Software **Photoshop, Illustrator** (proficient) **Ableton Live 9** (basic)

Languages Lithuanian (native) French (bilingual proficiency)

English (bilingual proficiency) **Spanish** (elementary)

Interests Artificial Intelligence and Computing Society, BLOGS (LGBT+ Society),

Hackathons, Gamejams, Singing-songwriting, Graphic Design