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GAME DESIGNER AND DEVELOPER

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EDUCATION

2022-Present
SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN
- BFA in Interactive Design and Game Development (ITGM)
- Graduation - May 2025

AWARDS

- Entelechy 2024 - Outer Plates
  - Best in Show
  - Best Level Design
  - Best Art Direction
  - Best Submission by a Large Team
  - Best Trailer
- 2024 Global Game Jam
  - SCAD Chapter Best in Show
  - Georgia Chapter Best in Show
- 2023 Global Game Jam
  - SCAD Chapter Best Use of Theme

SKILLS

- Project Management
- Critical Thinking
- Leadership
- Team Management & Communication
- Game Design
- Creative Writing

EXPERIENCE

Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD)   **2022-PRESENT**
Interactive Design & Game Development (ITGM)
- **Student Projects**
  - *Electronic Arts (EA) SCADpro*: Chosen by SCADpro faculty to participate in 14-day sprint to answer EA's question, "How do future developers see their world interacting with AI in 5 years?". Consulted on this 12-student team about game dev processes. Responsible for writing the project narrative, a fictional developer's "Day in the Life".
  - *Outer Plates*: Sponsored by ITGM Dept. Chair to work on this senior project as a junior. Created & balanced the mid-game, level design, and mechanic & dynamic design. Won 5 Entelechy awads, including Best Level Design & Best in Show.
  - *Inflamed*: With a theme of "Make Us Laugh", our 10-person team competed with 225+ SCAD students to create a playable game & trailer in just 48 hours. Responsible for concept & level design. 2024 Global Game Jam winner for the State of Georgia.
  - *Story Keepers*: As a sophomore, lead SCADpro project commissioned by Stride. Developed an interactive experience for grades 8&9 for Stride's French Revolution curriculum. Managed & organized team of 20 and worked directly with design team throughout the project. Was the main point of communication with the Stride client.
- **Game Devlopment Network (GDN) - ITGM's Academic Club (100+ student members)**
  - *NoobJam 2024:* Created & organized this campus-wide event, which targeted underclassmen to foster student involvement at SCAD and increase newcomers' confidence levels. Ten teams with 60+ students competed in the inaugural event, with over 20 upperclassman volunteers supporting the teams as mentors.
  - *SCAD Day, 2022-Present*: Represent SCAD & the ITGM Department at SCAD Day open houses (held each quarter) for prospective students & their familes. Conduct student tours & typically assigned as student resource for interactive family Q&A sessions.
  - *Member, 2022-2023/Officer, 2023-2024/President, 2024-Present*: Responsible for organizing and leading meetings and events (mixers, portfolio reviews, academic & professional workshops, etc.). Encourage cooperation and communication between all academic clubs to maximize student body participation and learning.

Spring Lake Golf Club   **2021-2022**
Captain
- **Food and Beverage Department**: Supervised the wait and bus staff in 1 of 3 club dining rooms. Wrote & sent daily reports to the General Manager and Club Board detailing finances, incidents, and notable items for their attention.
- **Events and Hosting Department**: Responsible for making sure events (weddings, baby showers, funeral receptions, etc.) ran smoothly. Maintained member satisfaction & supervised staff in set up, busing, bartending, and post-event follow-up.

Great Restaurants NJ, LLC   **2019-2021**
Assistant General Manager & Bartender

Managed a staff of 30 people and responsible for maintaining patrons' satisfaction. Often sent to sister restaurants to assist the local GMs when support was needed. Opened and closed the restaurants. Handled daily finance reports & completed payouts to other employees. Occassionally opened & closed the bar, serving 100-200 patrons per day.

PROFICIENCIES

- Unreal Engine
- Adobe Suite
- Perforce
- Agile Products
- Microsoft Office Suite
- OBS
- Cascaduer

REFERENCES

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