DANA McKAY

GAME DESIGNER/WRITER

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SKILLS

Narrative design, writing, content implementation, level design, systems design, storyboarding, 2D/3D art, production and scheduling, QA testing

AWARDS

Freeplay Excellence in Narrative Award (2021) For *A Long Goodbye*

Head of School Award for

Outstanding Designer (2021)

Academy of Interactive Entertainment

EDUCATION

Advanced Diploma of Screen and Media (Design) Academy of Interactive

Entertainment

Senior Secondary Certificate Dickson College

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SOFTWARE

Focus

Unity, UE4, Photoshop, Maya, Fungus, Twine, C#, Version Control, Microsoft Office

Knowledgeable

Blender, Zbrush, Python, Lua, ZeroEditor, Creation Kit, HTML & CSS, Davinci Resolve

PROFESSIONAL GAME EXPERIENCE

EA FIREMONKEYS (SEP 2021 - PRESENT)

ASSOCIATE GAME DESIGNER

For Need for Speed: No Limits & Real Racing 3

- Implementing new content within a live-service structure
- Narrative implementation from initial conception to release
- Designing and writing quests
- Writing narrative outlines for overarching stories and quests, quest dialogue, and flavour text
- Creating and maintaining narrative documentation for long running story campaigns and characters
- Working in a professional team environment, collaborating with various disciplines to plan and produce content

TECHTREE INTERACTIVE (SEP - DEC 2019)

NARRATIVE DESIGN INTERN

For Unannounced Title

- Using Unreal Engine 4
- Outlining and developing main plot, factions and characters
- Writing scenes and game dialogue
- Creating and editing narrative documentation
- Implementing environmental storytelling and dialogue

RELATED WORK

SOLO INDIE DEVELOPMENT (2020)

A LONG GOODBYE

Solo indie dev, winner of the 2021 Freeplay Excellence in Narrative Award, featured in ACMI's Big Night In 2021 and Freeplay Parallels 2021

FREELANCE (2018-2019, 2021)

GAME DESIGNER | ARTIST

Liaising with clients to meet a brief and completing work within negotiated time frames

REFERENCES

Rik Lagarto 24x7 Games Evyn Shuley Sledgehammer Games E: evyn@techtreeinteractive.com Geoff Field Tech Tree Interactive E: geoff@techtreeinteractive.com