

REID GILLIS

Tech Narrative Designer
Game Writer

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OBJECTIVE

To work with a likeminded, passionate, and diverse team to create games that change people's lives. My long-term goal is to be a technical narrative designer for a company where my ability to both write thematical strong scripts and program dialogue systems will be utilized to showcase story in a unique way.



EDUCATION

Writing For Film, TV & Games Diploma

Vancouver Film School (VFS) | Jan 2022 – Dec 2022

- Specialized in Writing for Video Games
- Training in Unreal Engine, Twine, and MoCap.

Bachelor of Commerce Degree

MacEwan University | Sept 2009 – Dec 2015

- Major in Management
- 3.3 GPA



SELECTED CREDITS

Rare Books (2023)

[Twine Game on itch.io](#)

Writer - 25 pg. Script

Technical Narrative Designer – Designed narrative system & story mechanics

Programmer – Programmed the entire game

- A privileged dyslexic highly independent architect decides to rob a rare book auction to get revenge on his childhood bully; however, a prominent police officer planned a sting operation on the same night to catch another criminal. The architect attempts the heist alone or gets help from the security guard he shot.

<https://reidgillis.itch.io/rare-book-beta>

“Phrogger” (2022)

Short Film

Writer - 5 pg. Script

- A seasoned "phrogger" is a master at living and caring for an elderly homeowner, all without them knowing of their presence. However, a novice "phrogger" makes the same house home and the two struggle to coexist without being caught until they're forced to work together to protect the homeowner.



UNPRODUCED GAME CREDITS

Mandala Milky-Way

Unreal Engine Game

Writer – script, character design, and design doc

Narrative & Level Designer – UI design, dialogue system, mission design

- An artist makes 3D mandalas in space to save his daughter; however, his cryo-pod fails, and he wakes up 20 years later to discover Earth's now sterile. Luckily, one ship escaped before humanity's collapse and a capitalistic alien species with interstellar capabilities is a fan of the mandalas.

Spirit Nectar

Unreal Engine Game

Lead Writer – Lead team of 3 writers to develop outline and write act 1 script

Technical Narrative Designer – dialogue system, mission design, game play design.

- A up and coming health influencer is invited to an elite festival and must bullshit her way through conversation topics or jobs she's underqualified for to gain access to exclusive areas or to gain favour with the top influencer. Too much bullshit and she'll lose her self-image, too little and she won't gain the followers she desires.

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MoCap Cinematic

Belica's Tradition

Writer - 5 pg. Script

Director for MoCap Cinematic – Volume

- To fulfill a promise, a free-thinking space Marine returns to her estranged traditional community after her mom dies. She must lead the unwelcoming community in a sacred yet dangerous journey to deliver her mom's ashes to the holy mountain peak.



SELECTED EMPLOYMENT

Production Manager - Trimpac

May 2023 – Current

Warehouse Supervisor - Coca-Cola Bottling Limited

Feb 2021 – Jan 2022

Production Supervisor - Cintas

Feb 2014 – April 2020

Key Responsibilities

- **Lead team of 50+ employees** to process, built, audit and load hundreds of orders each day.
- **Develop company-wide Excel tools that automate processes** such as warehouse reconfiguration.
- **Write manuals and create a standardized process.**

Six Sigma Blue Belt – Cintas

Sept 2016 – April 2020

Key Responsibilities

- Utilize **Six Sigma** practices, **LEAN** methodology and **statistical analysis** to reduce errors, improve efficiency and eliminate waste. **Become SAP and Excel power-user.**



TECHNICAL COMPENTANCIES

Software Education

- Final Draft
- Unreal Engine – Node and Blue-Prints
- Twine – CSS, HTML, Sugarcube, Git
- Adobe Premier

Emotional Intelligence

- Mindfulness meditation
- Tailored communication styles

First Aid Certified



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Sports

- Volleyball
- Badminton
- Snowboarding
- E – Skateboarding
- Frisbee Golf

Hobbies

- Raspberry Pi projects
- RPG's
- Pokemon TCG
- Hot Cold Therapy



REFERENCES

Mariana Suzuki – Writer for HBO Max Series & Workshop Partner

John Meadows – Instructor at VFS & Narrative Designer at Capcom

Contact for references available upon request