# **Leland Cudney**

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## **EXECUTIVE STATEMENT**

Passionate technical designer experienced with creating engaging, AAA quality mechanics, systems and content for both single-player and multiplayer environments. Design driven with firsthand knowledge in programming and art processes. Enthusiastic team member with a strong work ethic and desire to make something fun, creative and meaningful.

## PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Systems DesignPrototypingContent DesignSystems ProgrammingConceptualizationDesign DocumentationSystems Balancing2D and 3D Level DesignQuality Assurance

## SOFTWARE EXPERIENCE

Autodesk Maya, Blender, C++, C#, Confluence, Git, Glogg, Jira, Microsoft Office Suite, Perforce, Photoshop, Proprietary AAA Game Engines, Unity, Visual Studio

#### **DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE**

# August 2016 - Current, Rockstar San Deigo, San Diego, CA: Position - Technical Designer

- Coordinated directly with various departments such as Audio, Art, Animation, Cinematics, Code, Production and Quality Assurance to produce polished, AAA quality experiences for Red Dead Redemption 2 and Red Dead Redemption Online.
- Responsible for architecting, maintaining, and expanding upon a content creation tool used by developers to rapidly create multiplayer missions for Red Dead Redemption Online.
- Daily tasks included discussions with various disciplines to implement and maintain features, bug fixing, supporting developers authoring content with my tool, and interfacing with other technical designers and their systems.

# June 2015 - August 2015, Vicarious Visions, Albany, NY: Position - QA Tester

- Identified bugs in daily builds and clearly communicated to the development team the steps necessary to reproduce them.
- Managed bug tracking with Jira by opening new bugs, closing bugs after verifying that they had been fixed, and providing developers with other information upon request.
- Worked with the testing team to efficiently divide tasks to quickly and accurately complete build verification tests, feature sweeps, cooperative online testing, and other ad hoc tests.

# January 2015 - April 2015, C4M Productions, Montreal, QC: Position - Design Advisory Board Member

- Met weekly with a board of three other students of Champlain College and the design team of C4M Productions to discuss and review a variety of design decisions.
- Tested and analyzed builds of the game as they were developed and examined a wide range of design decision topics including, but not limited to, tutorial format, multiplayer structure and balancing, and level design.

### **EDUCATION**

#### 2012 – 2016, Champlain College, Burlington, VT: Game Design Major, Game Programming Minor

- Lead designer on Space Dunk, a project developed over a year as part of my senior capstone.
- Carried out designer role on various small group projects in classes meant to emulate the industry.
  - O Developed and documented concepts through the use of game design documents, rapid prototyping and QA testing.
  - O Pitched initial project proposal to class.
  - O Developed, tested, and iterated on preliminary concept. Presented project updates to the class.
  - O Worked closely with multidisciplinary team members to meet milestone deadlines.