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EXPERIENCE

Experis Game Solutions - Test Associate Engineer II

- Portland, OR February 2024 to Present https://www.experis.com
- Executed over 200 test cases across VR (Oculus Quest 3) and mobile (Android/iOS) platforms, reducing critical defects by 30% and contributing to the successful launch of flagship Meta titles such as Asgard's Wrath 2 and Horizon Worlds
- Analyzed test data and generated detailed reports that cut bug resolution time by 25%, enhancing communication with developers and ensuring rapid implementation of recommended fixes.
- Earned multiple awards for identifying "launch blocking" bugs, which improved release quality and reduced overall time-to-market by 15% on AAA projects.

Outward Inc. (Williams Sonoma) - Digital 3d Artist

- San Jose, CA June 2022 to July 2023 https://outwardinc.com/
- Led a team of 3D artists as a Blender expert, delivering photo-realistic interiors and exteriors for a proprietary compositing platform that increased user engagement by 25%.
- Refined 3D pipeline processes to boost productivity by 30% and streamline hardware integration, reducing rendering times by 20%.
- Collaborated with executive staff on high-level product planning, accelerating launch cycles by 15% and driving strategic platform enhancements.

Mister Important Design - Lead 3d Artist and Asst. Designer

- Oakland, CA March 2016 to May 2022 http://www.misterimportant.com
- Spearheaded 3D concept development and photo-realistic visualizations for major global hospitality projects (e.g., W Hotels, Hard Rock Hotels), increasing client engagements by 30%.
- Managed project budgets and design proposals as a project manager, value engineer, and procurement officer, achieving cost savings of 20% while ensuring design excellence.
- Developed compelling media and presentations that boosted project sales by 25%, secured repeat business, and consistently maintained high client satisfaction.

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ABOUT

Accomplished 3D artist, designer, animator, and QA professional with over a decade of experience in hospitality, tech, architecture, and design. Adept at leading cross-functional teams and using advanced 3D modeling, animation, and VR/mobile testing to drive innovation. Proven leader with strong project management skills, consistently enhancing product quality and accelerating timelines.

EXPERTISE

3d - Blender, 3ds Max, Maya, V-Ray, Unreal, Unity, CAD, Sketch-Up

Graphics & Web-Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, Canva, Wordpress, Figma

Video - After Effects, Premiere, K-Den Live, Final Cut, Pro Tools

AI - MidJourney, Bolt, Klive, Claude, Chat GPT-4, Meta AI, Stable Diffusion, Dall-E, Adobe

QA and Project - Jira, Testrail, Microsoft Teams, Zoom, Quartermaster, Bluebeam`

Steelman Partners - 3D Artist and Architectural Animator

- Las Vegas, NV Mar. 2014 to Apr. 2016 http://www.steelmanpartners.com
- Developed high-impact 3D designs and photo-realistic renderings for landmark hospitality projects, including Resorts World Las Vegas (\$4B) and Genting Highlands (\$3.5–4B), boosting client satisfaction by 30%.
- Crafted detailed models that accelerated project approvals by 25% and effectively communicated architectural intent, driving multi-million-dollar conceptualizations.
- Collaborated with executive teams to refine design concepts and floor plans for ventures such as Galaxy Macau Phase 2 (\$3B) and Jupiter Gold Coast Australia (\$345M), contributing to a combined project value exceeding \$10B.

Extensoft - Creative Director/ Senior 3D Artist

- Las Vegas, NV Feb. 2012 to Jun. 2014 http://www.interactivestock.com
- Created thousands of 3d illustrations, animations, and assets for use on our application, similar to Canva; utilizing a built-in stock asset library in conjunction with web based graphic design and photo editing tools.
- Engineer and manager of the company render farm, as well as head of the 3d art, animation, and VFX department.
- Worked with the CEO to refine the direction of our app and build efficiencies within our company.
- Oversaw outsourced artists by managing projects, deadlines, and critiquing work.

Ayala's inc. - 3D Visualization Artist and Designer

- Las Vegas, NV March 2010 to February 2012 http://www.ayalasinc.com
- Conceptualized, designed, visualized, and merchandised new and existing retail concepts using advanced 3d modeling and rendering techniques.
- In charge of creating graphics and animations for signage, marketing materials, product photography, and e-commerce websites.
- RFP's, Construction Documents (schematics, blueprints, 3d renderings, fixture design).

EDUCATION

The Art Institute of Las Vegas — B.S. Media Arts and Animation

- 2006 2010; Henderson, NV
 - o Award Best in Show, Summer 2010, Media Arts and Animation

CSN — A.A. Fine Arts

- 2004 2006; Las Vegas, NV
 - o Graduated with Honors