# Aaron Louis Albert | Systems Designer

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#### **Education**

## Carnegie Mellon University - Entertainment Technology Center

May, 2018

Master of Entertainment Technology

Pittsburgh, PA

Miami University December, 2015

B.A. Psychology and Interactive Media Studies Oxford, OH

**Coursework:** Game Design, Critical Game Development, Game Prototyping and Pipeline.

#### **Skills**

**Design:** Game Design, Systems Design, Rapid Prototyping, Creative Writing, Gamification.

**Programming:** C#, HTML 5.

**Software:** Unity 5, Microsoft Excel, Photoshop, After Effects, GameMaker, Perforce, Audacity.

**VR/AR:** HTC Vive, Oculus Rift, Microsoft Hololens.

## **Projects and Experience**

### **EA Maxis | Game Design Intern**

May - August, 2017

- · Designed content and gameplay features for upcoming *The Sims 4* expansion packs.
- Tuned content and gameplay features for an upcoming *The Sims 4* expansion pack.
- · Worked with team members from various disciplines to ideate, scope, and iterate features.
- · Created a gameplay prototype for an unannounced project.

## Robo Repair: Addition and Subtraction | Game Designer

January - May, 2017

- · Worked with a multidisciplinary team of five designing an educational mathematics practice game that was released on iTunes in May, 2017.
- Prototyped mechanics, wrote design documentation, and conducted playtests to create a product that is accessible to special needs children with varying math competency.

## **Building Virtual Worlds | Programmer, Designer**

August - December, 2016

- Worked as a programmer and designer in five separate five-person teams creating unique games and virtual experiences every two weeks.
- Enriched communication, leadership, teamwork, and rapid-prototyping skills while working with multidisciplinary teams.
- · Used Unity 5 to develop for Hololens, HTC Vive, Oculus Rift, Eyetracker, and CAVE.

#### From the Journal of Randolph Warren Carter | Designer, Programmer September - December, 2015

- · Developed a 2D narrative-horror game using Unity 5 for PC and OSX.
- · Wrote an original story inspired by the works of H.P. Lovecraft.
- · Winner of Best Narrative AIMS Game Awards.

#### Games and Learning | Undergraduate Associate and Teaching Assistant

May - December, 2015

- $\cdot$  Redesigned gamified elements, including achievements, badges, and guilds, for a games and learning course at Miami University.
- $\cdot$  Co-designed a collectible trading card game for students to use as a study tool.
- · Taught a self-designed session on the educational applicability of *Hearthstone*.

#### Rija's Day | Designer, Programmer

April - May, 2015

- · Developed a transformational game, regarding cultural discrimination, using Unity 5 for PC.
- · Exhibited at Meaningful Play, 2016; Winner of Best Serious Game AIMS Game Awards.