## **FARIS ELRAYES**

## GAME PROGRAMMER / TECHNICAL ARTIST

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## **EXPERIENCE**

## **TECHNICAL ART INTERN (2023, REMOTE)**

ALTA VR

- Conducted RnD on optimizing pipelines
- Built tools with Unity and Houdini
- Provided documentation on confluence

## **LEAD TECHNICAL TA (2022, PITTSBURGH)**

BUILDING VIRTUAL WORLDS, CMU

- Coordinated a team of 11 Tas
- Provided instruction, technical support and established development workflows for a cohort of 70 graduate students in Unity C#
- Supported a variety of platforms in including VR, AR, CAVE, Eye Trackers and motion chairs

## 3D ART TA (2022, PITTSBURGH)

NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL GAME ACADEMY, CMU

- Organized and taught classes on 3D modelling in Maya, UV Unwrapping and Unity Effects / Pipeline
- Provided personal support for both art and programming

#### IT SPECIALIST / WEB DEVELOPER (2022, MELBOURNE)

ASIA INSTITUTE, ARABIC DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE 2022

- Developed web resources in React and JavaScript
- Provided general IT problem-solving support

#### **PROJECTS**

#### PROJECT ECOTOPIA (2022) – IEEE GAME SIG 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE WINNER

GAME PROGRAMMER / DESIGNER

- Built core event system, animation system, UI, controls/mechanics and puzzles in Unity C#
- Iterated game design through frequent prototyping and playtesting

#### **INNER MATTER (2022)**

GAME PROGRAMMER / TECHNICAL ARTIST

- Built core event system, hand-tracking interaction/gesture system and dialogue system in Unity C#
- Created effects using ShaderGraph, Substance Painter and Houdini

#### **GREGOT CLIMB (2022)**

SOLO ANIMATION PROJECT

- Sculpted a character in ZBrush, painted it in Substance Painter, rigged, animated and rendered it in Maya
- Generated a colorful alien environment procedurally with Houdini

#### **INTERTWINED (2021)**

GAME PROGRAMMER / TECHNICAL ARTIST

• Built several effects using Unity's ShaderGraph, HLSL and VFXGraph

#### **HEXIT (2019)**

GAME PROGRAMMER / TECHNICAL ARTIST

- Built several vertex, fragment and geometry shader effects using Unity HLSL
- Coded camera mechanics, player controls, gravity distortion, several tile types and audio-reactive shaders

#### **SUMMARY**

I'm a Masters student specializing in Entertainment Technology with a strong foundation in Software Development and HLSL Shader Programming. I also have broad 3D pipeline experience, having worked as a game programmer and technical artist on many projects, as well as developed pipeline tools in Unity.

## **SKILLS / LANGUAGES**

Unity

• C#

• ShaderGraph

• C

BlenderMava

Java

• Substance

Python

Painter

HoudiniFX

JavaScript MEL

HLSL/CG

# **EDUCATION**

MASTER OF ENTERTAINMENT
TECHNOLOGY
CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY
JUNE 2023

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMPUTING AND SOFTWARE SYSTEMS) UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE JUNE 2021

#### **CONTACT**

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