

TJ Mota

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GAME DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE

Freelance Game Writer

5/2023 – Present

Digigo Games

- Outline, draft, and revise scripts for Digigo's *My Success Story: Choice Games*, an interactive fiction mobile game

Narrative Designer / Freelance Writer

11/2020 – 5/2022

Artix Entertainment

- Pitched and crafted story arcs, in-game events, quests, dialogues, and flavor text for *AdventureQuest 3D*, a cross-platform free-to-play MMO
- Implemented quests, dialogues, and misc. text into the game using in-house tools for Unity
- Collaborated with animators, artists, and designers to ideate and test new in-game content
- Assisted in drafting the game's weekly player-facing dev blog

Game Writer (Contract)

8/2019 – 11/2020

Crazy Maple Studio

- Outlined, drafted, and edited scripts for CMS's mobile game *Chapters: Interactive Stories*
- Collaborated with project editors to refine story, gameplay, or art assets
- Projects include *Believe Me, I'm Lying* and *Isn't She Lovely*

Game Writer / Writing Team Co-Lead

11/2018 – 8/2019

Florida Disability Access and Awareness Foundation

- Drafted episode outlines, character bios, game scripts, for FDDAAAF's game *Changed*
- Assigned milestones and provided constructive feedback on game scripts and other writing

QA Tester (Contract)

6/2016 – 6/2017

Respawn Entertainment, LLC (contracted via Wollborg Michelson)

- Isolated and documented bugs found in new builds of *Titanfall 2*

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

QA Editor (Contract)

2/2023 – 5/2023

Mother Tongue

- Coordinated with QA Team Leads and other QA Editors to review and execute test cases for a Large Language Model (LLM)
- Edited and/or rewrote conversations generated by the LLM according to guidelines

Tutoring and Digital Media Coordinator (Contract)

10/2021 – 6/2022

University of South Florida - Academic Success Center

- Led a team of students on the creation of digital media resources (e.g. tutoring videos, study guides, etc.) that fit within the course curricula of various subjects
- Oversaw the ASC's content management system and social media accounts

Writing Studio Consultant / Coordinator (Contract)

1/2018 – 5/2020

University of South Florida - Academic Success Center

- Supported the Assistant Director with day-to-day operations (e.g. scheduling and training)
- Provided one-to-one and small group tutoring sessions across a variety of subjects
- Developed workshops and reference material targeted to specific writing topics

EDUCATION

Master of Fine Arts

Screenwriting
Boston University

Bachelor of Arts

Creative Writing
University of South Florida

AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS

The Narrative Department

Career Accelerator
Spring 2023
&

Game Writing Masterclass,
Fall 2022

Austin After Dark

Film Festival 2020

Official Selection:
Short Film Script

Oregon Scream Week

Winter 2019

Official Selection:
Short Film Script

TOOLS

- Atlassian Project Mgmt. (Confluence, Jira & Trello)
- CMS
- Final Cut
- Final Draft
- Google Workspace
- Microsoft 365
- Miro
- Twine
- Unity
- Unreal 4
- Visual Scripting
- Yarn Spinner