ALEXANDRA M. LUCAS

Game Writer & Narrative Designer

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ACHIEVEMENTS

Awards:

- The Dark Sire Creative Award (Psychological Realism) for "In the Deep" | **2022**
- Merit Award, Sue C. Boynton Poetry Contest, for "Leftover" | 2020
- Platinum Award, GDC Game Narrative Review Competition | 2015 & 2016

Selected Short Fiction Publications:

- "Soldiers Like Us," HamLit: Life Expectancy | 2023
- "Sleeping Beauty," 2022 Village Books Writers Corner Anthology (Borderline Press) | 2023
- "A Very Old Friend," Whatcom WRITES (Borderline Press) | 2022
- "In the Deep," HamLit: Alter Ego | 2021
- "Cherry," Whatcom WRITES (Borderline Press) | 2021
- "The Lighthouse Remains," Coffin Bell: Mythopoeia | 2020
- "With You," HamLit: Second Place (HamLit.org) | 2020

• Selected Chapter Contributions:

- Love & Electronic Affection (CRC Press | 2020)
- Encyclopedia of Sexism in American Films (Rowman & Littlefield Publishers | 2019)
- Digital Love: Romance & Sexuality in Games (Taylor & Francis | 2017)

Mentee:

- IGDA Next Gen Leader-Virtual Exchange | 2023
- ArenaNet Game Narrative Mentorship Program | 2018
- Diversity in Games Alliance, Amplifying New Voices 2017

• Speaker: Game Developers Conference

- Have Laptop, Will Telecommute; Building Inclusive Studio Culture | 2019
- Beyond Blue-Skinned Space Babes; Q&A for New Writers; Advocacy Microtalk | 2018
- Get Noticed & Get Hired | 2017
- IGDA Serious Games Roundtable | 2016–2018

• Speaker: PAX Dev & PAX Online

- Online: DigiPen Discord AMA: Diversity & Inclusion | 2020
- Dev: Represent & Retain | 2019
- Dev: How Disney Emoji Blitz Combats Anxiety | 2018
- Dev: The Triple Goddess in Mass Effect | 2017
- Dev: Oh, the Humanities! | 2016

• Speaker: GeekGirlCon

■ Bringing Gender Identity from SF Lit to Game Dev | 2017

ORGANIZATIONS

- IGDA Global Mentor; Wellesley Mentor
- AmeriCorps VISTA, Mpls, MN, 2010–2011

GAME & TECH DEVELOPEMENT

STOIC (Towerborne)

Narrative Designer • [May 2022-Sept 2023]

- Developed overarching lore, quests, and NPC backgrounds
- Wrote dialogue, background chat bubbles, and quest outlines
- Implemented narrative content using proprietary tools
- Collaborated with multiple teams to ensure narrative cohesion

CRAZY MAPLE STUDIO (Chapters)

Narrative Designer • [Sept 2020–Apr 2022]

- Worked with writers, art, QA, and implementation to adapt romance novels into interactive novels in Chapters app
- Developed strong narratives and monetization opportunities
- Selected: The Dark Ones; Tempting the Bodyguard; Trial by Fire

INDEPENDENT

Game Writer & Narrative Designer • [Sept 2018-present]

- Develop characters, narratives, worlds, and other IP for books, TV, games, and other media for various clients
- Projects: fantasy novel; YA book series; Tarte Tales

IMMERSED GAMES (Tyto Online)

Game Writer (contract) • [Sept 2016–Jan 2019]

- Wrote interactive dialogue in Inklewriter, designed quests with proprietary tools, and created NPCs for Tyto Online
- Wrote linear dialogue & storyboarded cinematics (2 min)
- Documented metrics to ensure inclusive representation

MICROSOFT CORTANA CCC TEAM/MAQ CONSULTING Content Writer (contract) • [Nov 2016–Sept 2018]

- Wrote & edited Cortana responses according to brand voice
- Analyzed data to optimize professional and fun engagement
- Devised methodology for evaluating Cortana response relevance & appropriateness

LIVE STORIES

Writer & Narrative Designer (contract) • [Feb 2018–July 2018]

- Designed narrative, created characters, & wrote dialogue for mobile interactive novels
- Shipped May 2018 (Chap 1): Remember Me; Sunflower

EDUCATION

DIGIPEN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Coursework toward B.A., Game Design • [2012–2016]

- Team games/PAX West: Relic, Miraculous, Lightmare **WELLESLEY COLLEGE**

B.A., French & English (Creative Writing) • [2005–2009] BRITISH AMERICAN DRAMA ACADEMY

Shakespeare Writing Program in London • [Fall 2007]