

# JAMES BLAIR

# GRADUATE SOFTWARE & GAME DEVELOPER

#### **C O N T A C T**

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### P R O F I L E S U M M A R Y

Upcoming graduate programmer with a BSc (1st Class Honours) in Creative Computing from IADT (Dublin).

Exhibiting a strong academic background, combined with exciting work projects of programming across a variety of languages and platforms.

From developing games, visual graphics, or other software, I love to create with the goal of developing truly memorable interactive user experiences.



## WORK SUMMARY

## Freelance Web Developer

#### Webspace | May 2021 - present

- Contracted to design and develop web applications using MERN Stack, GatsbyJS and Wordpress.
- Worked in a team to improve existing projects and helped hit client deadlines
- Worked on multiple projects involving React and Node using SCRUM methodology
- Maintained a professional version control system as part of a development team using Git

#### Game Developer

Self-Employed | 2016 - present

- I have worked alone and in large teams to develop over 10 games since I began programming in 2016
- Using Unity, Unreal and standalone libraries I have designed and deployed games featuring VR, AR, 2D, 3D and Multiplayer
- Working alongside other programmers, artists and writers to produce music, art, scalable code and user experience.

#### Human Resources Work

Bank of Ireland | Deutsche Bank | Investec Ireland | 2014 - 16

### Café and Restaurant Work

Teerooms Malahide| Cafe Ragazzi | Starbucks | 2016 - 21

## ACADEMIC HISTORY

#### **Creative Computing (BSc Honours)**

IADT Dun Laoghaire, Dublin | 2017 - 21

- Graduating with 1st class Honours (GPA of 3.75)
- My thesis project was an air traffic control application using real world positional data

### Games Development (QQI Level 6 Certification)

Bray Institute of Further Education | 2016

### 3D Modelling (QQI Level 5 Certification)

Dorset College Dublin | 2015

### Honors Leaving Certificate

Malahide Community School, Scoil Iosa

# **REFRENCES**

## Prof. John Montayne

Position: Senior Lecturer (Department of Technology) at IADT, UI/UX Consultant & Researcher Relationship: Thesis supervisor, Professor

## Mr. Eoan O'Dea

Position: CEO & Founder of Webspace Design Relationship: Current Employer

Written references or contact information of referees available upon request.

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## SKILLS

#### Web Development

- Node based Javascript and Typescript Frameworks such as React and Gatsby as well as MERN stack applications
- Backend solutions utilising database technologies and APIs as well as Wordpress integration for client maintained products
- I am familiar with working in an AGILE work environment and as part of a team including both developers and designers. This includes proficiency with version control software such as GitHub and Perforce
- My particular strengths lie in the implementation of algorithms and creative solutions for proposed designs or arising problems

### Game Development

- Have programmed more than 10 games in varying programming languages utilizing different engines and libraries including Unity and Unreal Engine
- Have worked on AR, VR, 2D, 3D and Multiplayer games.
- I have a passion and strong assessment skills for every principal of game design, flow and performance.
- Capable of using 3D modelling, Adobe Creative Suite and video and audio editing software with the purpose of compatibility and performance within games

#### Programming Languages

- Javascript / Typescript
- C#
- C++
- Java
- HTML, CSS

#### Software Tools

| Creative Tools  | Development Tools   |
|---|---|
| <ul> <li>Adobe Photoshop &amp;<br/>Illustrator</li> <li>Blender</li> <li>Reaper / Audacity</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Unity</li> <li>Photon</li> <li>Unreal Engine</li> <li>Perforce</li> <li>Github</li> <li>Postman</li> </ul> |