LINGHENG TAO

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EDUCATION

Carnegie Mellon University

Bachelor of Arts

Pittsburgh, PA

2017 - 2023

Majored in Architecture Majored in Computer Science Minored in Game Design

Carnegie Mellon University

Master of Entertainment Technology 2023 - Present Pittsburgh, PA

Concentrated in Game Programming Concentrated in Technical Art

SKILLS

- ☐ C/C++/C#/Java/LaTeX
- Computer Graphics
- Physically-based Rendering
- ⚠ Adobe Photoshop/Illustrator

- 1 ArcGIS
- Rhino & Grasshopper
- ♥ Unity 3D
- Unreal Engine 5
- RPG Maker
- Amplify Shader Editor
- ☼ Shader Graph
- ☼ Procreate
- ⇔ Figma

LANGUAGE

Chinese(Mandarin)

English

Japanese

SUMMARY

Embracing challenge from different fields and difficulty. Great at team work and collaboration. Solving problems with flexible skills learned from different majors.

WORK EXPERIENCE

ART FIRST Education

Part-time Game Design Tutor | 2023.7 - Present

- Offered tutorship for Unity and Game Design for high school and undergraduate students in China.
- Provided advice for Portfolio preparation and technical support for students' personal projects.

NetEase(Hangzhou), Inc.

User Experience Engineer | 2021.9 - 2021.12

- Implemented the interaction design files in Cocos Studio and Unity.
- Applied for a patent for an interaction technology that allows the players to drag icons to directly build game objects in simulator games.
- Designed the Standard Operating Procedure for training new employees.
- Compiled the tutorial documents and recorded the course video.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Lost and Found for CMU Building Virtual World

Technical Artist and Programmer 2023.9

- Implemented visual special effects for materials to dissolve into each other by creating shaders in Unity with Amplify Shader Editor.
- Programmed the C# scripts for applying visual special effects corresponding to different XR interactions and scene switching.

Sloth Race for CMU Experimental Game Studio

Producer, Ul Artist, Game Designer and Programmer 2023.3 - 2023.5

- Produced a multiplayer racing game with a team of 5.
- Programmed the physics, user interface and game managers and designed the user interface.
- Exhibited in the CMU Game Creation Society event for 2023 Spring semester.

Re-DDLE as An Indie Game for GMTK Game Jam 2023

Programmer and UI Designer 2023.7.7 - 2023.7.9

- Created a puzzle indie game within 48 hours with a team of 4 for the theme "Roles Reversed".
- Designed and programmed the user interface.
- Distributed on itch.io: https://vvvpollo.itch.io/re-d

How To Be A Good Parent for CMU Design Educational Games

Programmer, Artist and Game Designer | 2021.5

- Created a game about how to educate children with a team of 2.
- Solo programmed, and designed the art, game and user interface.
- Wrote the frame for the narrative and distributed user testing survey.