# **ROBERT GRASSO**

GAME DESIGNER

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## **EXPERIENCE**

LEAD TECHNICAL GAME DESIGNER | Odisi Games | May '22 - July '24

- New York (Remote) | Sky Link | Unreal Engine 4-5
- Prototyped multiplayer mechanics and abilities via GAS
- Created tools for designers, level designers, VFX & SFX artists
- Enhanced AI behavior trees and designed progression systems
- Designed end-to-end experiences in collaboration with other teams

**GAME DESIGNER** | Left Turn Studios | Jun. '21 - Jan. '22 San Francisco | Alien Age | Unity

- Brainstormed and documented all aspects of design
- Improved designs based on playtests and team feedback
- Worked with other teams to develop content and features
- Designed a top down merging game from concept to launch

# TECHNICAL GAME DESIGNER | NASA | Feb. '20 - May '21

Maryland (Remote) | Astrobee: First Flight | Unity

- Designed gameplay and game systems for a STEM flight sim
- Prototyped designs in Unreal Engine using Blueprint
- Pitched ideas for new or improved game mechanics to leads
- Maintain documentation for systems between UE4 and Unity

GAME DESIGNER | MindTravelerDesign | Sep. '17 - Oct. '18

San Francisco | PLASMAworlds: Blastbox VR | Unreal Engine 4

- Designed and implemented blueprint scripted mechanics
- Delivered prototypes and completed systems on a weekly cadence
- Brought an IP to life from concept to Launch
- Found scrappy solutions for an untested, low spec, VR platform

## **EDUCATION**

MASTER OF FINE ARTS | Game Design | Sep. '16 - Aug. '21 Academy of Art University | GPA: 3.4 | San Francisco, CA BACHELOR OF SCIENCE | Psychology | Feb. '09 - Jun. '15 University of Phoenix | GPA: 2.6 | Phoenix, AZ

### Other:

Starcraft 2 modded game achieved 4th "Top Played" (2012 - 2016). Unreal Engine 4 and 5 Tutor (2016-Present). Game Development Mixer Organizer (2016-Present). Founder of SF Game Developers groups for Facebook, Discord, and LinkedIn (2019-Present). Playtested for Crystal Dynamics, Nway, and Disruptive Games. Conference Associate at GDC (2022)

## **SKILLS**

Game Design Level Design Systems Design Blueprints/Scripting Documentation Prototyping

### **SOFTWARE**

Unreal Engine 4 - 5 Google Suite Photoshop Perforce Miro Jira MS Office Unity/C#

### **HOBBIES**

Gym, Guitar, Building PC's, Playing Games Making Games