# Jake Miller

## Game Designer

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### **Professional Experience**

Firefall Red 5 Studios

Game Designer Time on project: 12+ months

O Primarily responsible for design, scripting and implementation of live content, guidance systems, and retention systems.

O Responsibilities include design, prototyping, and/or implementation in these areas:

Modular open-world quest areas
Live event design
Open world encounters/events

Guidance system design
Retention systems design
Modular quest type scripting

Lua encounter scripting Monetization/reward systems design

Sonic Boom: Rise of Lyric Big Red Button Entertainment
Level Designer Time on project: 18 months

O Primarily responsible for layout, scripting, and implementation of Sonic-style speed sections.

O Responsibilities included design, prototyping, and/or implementation in these areas:

Gameplay scripting Difficulty balance/pacing

Event scripting Mechanics tuning
Level layout and player flow Camera scripting
Boss encounters VO/Audio

## Independent Project Experience

This is You and Me

3D action/adventure in UDK

Level Designer

Team of 15 Guildhall Developers

- O In this action/adventure, a boy travels with his imaginary friend to kill goblins
- O Scripted encounters/gameplay mechanics
- O Wrote and maintained design documentation

Illusion Spectacular

2D puzzle platformer in Torque X

Asst. Producer/Level Designer

Team of 4 Guildhall Developers

- O 2D puzzle platformer in which a magician disappears and reappears puzzle elements
- O Constructed and scripted tutorial level to teach new players innovative mechanics
- O Managed schedule and design documentation, including GDD and asset development plan

The Clod or the Pebble

Half-Life 2: Episode 2 single-player level

Designer, Scripter Approx. 60 hours over 12 weeks

- O Designed an underground laboratory rescue mission
- O Prototyped and scripted a stealth system
- O Tracked player progression via scripting to alter escape routes

Additional independent experience viewable at jakemakesgames.com

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#### **Skills**

#### Game Design

Gameplay/Event Scripting
Retention Systems Design
Prototyping
Documentation
Level and Player Flow Planning
Optimization
AI
Agile Scrum Development

#### Software

Adobe Photoshop Autodesk 3D Studio Max Autodesk Maya Google SketchUp Microsoft Office Suite Visual Studio

#### Engines & Languages

Lua
CryEngine 3
Unreal Engine 3
G.E.C.K (Fallout: New Vegas)
Flowgraph (CE3)
Kismet
C#

### **Additional Experience**

Guildhall Academy, a game design academy Teaching Assistant

O Instructed game design techniques to middle and high school students

Awards

O Recipient, Eleanor Lou Carrithers Rhetoric Award

#### Education

The Guildhall at SMU

Master of Interactive Technology Specialization in Level Design

Oklahoma City University

Bachelor of English Minor in Rhetoric December 2012

May 2012 – July 2012

May 2010

#### Other Interests

- O Fitness: I enjoy running wacky group runs with friends and coworkers
- O Tutoring: Former teacher that engages in continued learning
- O Music: Lover of live music and performing with musical groups