José M. Nieves

Senior Generalist Engineer

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SKILLS

Programming Languages C++, C#, .Net/.Net Core, Ruby (Rails), Java, TypeScript

Game Engines and Platforms Unreal Engine 4 and 5, Unity 3D, PC (Steam), PlayStation 4 and 5, Mobile (iOS,

Android)

Development Tools Rider, Visual Studio, Perforce, Git, TeamCity, Jenkins, GitHub Actions, SQL

Server, MySQL, UMG/Slate, Async Programming, API Integration, AWS,

Relational Databases

Other Skills Teamwork oriented, good communications and interpersonal relationships,

very organized, excellent time management skills, problem solver.

EXPERIENCE

Airship Syndicate | 2022 - 2024 | Remote

Unreal Engine Senior Programmer

- Designed and implemented the Battle-pass and in-game store features. Worked with publisher to ensure the backend satisfied the feature requirements.
- Created tools for the UX department to help automate the creation of UI by using a data driven approach to designing Widgets. This increased productivity and accelerated the UI creation pipeline.
- Optimized Widgets by rewriting blueprints logic unto reusable C++ functions
- Collaborated with the engineering team on best practices, style, and providing code reviews for every change list submitted during the project's lifespan.

Wicked Realm Games (Tilting Point) | 2021 - 2022 | Remote

Senior Game Engineer

- Supporting LiveOps team of Star Trek Timelines by maintaining and improving content deployment pipelines.
- Collaborating with a global remote team to deliver improvements, new features and content in a weekly cadence.
- Upgraded SDKs in Unity for 3rd party plugins including Ad SDKs, Payment SDKs and even performed Unity Engine upgrades.
- Transitioned team from Perforce to GitHub.

Tricky Fast Studios | 2016 – 2022 | Remote

Senior Software Developer

- Partner with stakeholders throughout the product lifecycle to plan, develop, improve, and launch new interactive entertainment software for use in mobile and PC devices.
- Integrated a client site API that allowed users to manipulate smart house equipment (light bulbs, doors, irrigation systems, and cameras) with a TvOS app using Unity 3D as the frontend.
- Designed and implemented multiple REST API's on .Net, .Net Core, and Node.js to improve interactive gameplay, including an implementation of a master server using AWS, Docker, and GitHub CI tools to enable players to store and share current active games with their peers.
- Contributed to the development and improvement of several projects including Twitch Sings, Star Trek Timelines, Poptropica, and other unreleased titles.

Independent Contractor | 2013 – 2016 | Remote

Senior Software Developer

- Collaborated with clients to define features and scope for various mobile games using Unity3D.
- Partnered with the Quality Business Process Team at AMD to help create a series of REST API's and applications to improve the collection of factory output data and aid key decisions makers in process improvement and yield optimization projects.
- Designed and implemented applications and reports for AMD management team to monitor quality of items, improve processes, and reduce costs.

Brinker International | 2012 – 2013 | Dallas, TX

Web Developer

- Maintained and improved web applications and customer-facing sites developed in ASP.Net SQL Server.
- Led all database updates for the Chili's restaurant chain, coordinating weekly with management and QA teams to manually process changes to local, regional, and global menus for the brand; wrote and tested scripts before deploying new data into production.
- Assessed inter-departmental web applications by collaborating with users to determine updates, mergers and web applications that needed to retire.

National Life Group | 2008 - 2010 | Dallas, TX

.Net Developer

- Created and implemented SSIS Packages, ad-hoc SQL Queries, C# web applications and improved SQL Server performance for several applications.
- Designed and created an application to manage letters sent to customers, which allowed active directory authenticated users to create, design and schedule printing jobs.
- Developed a portal to set up user permissions acquired from active directory, to allow corporate users access to the in-house web applications.

EDUCATION

Southern Methodist University

Dallas, Texas

Master's Certificate in Video Game Development

Interamerican University of Puerto Rico

San Juan, Puerto Rico

Master of Science, Computer Information Systems

University of Puerto Rico

Arecibo, Puerto Rico

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science