Michael Spicer

Sound Designer

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Enhancing creative visions through collaboration, communication and extraordinary audio creation.

Tools and Expertise

- DAWs Logic, Reaper
- Audio Middleware FMOD, Wwise
- Recording Field/Remote, Foley, Dialogue, Props
- Project Management GitHub, Trello, ClickUp
- Game Engines Unity, Unreal Engine 5

Education

Master of Music (Composition) 2018

University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV

Bachelor of Arts in Music (Jazz Studies) 2010

St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, Nova Scotia, Canada

Professional Game Studio Experience

Digital Scorpion Interactive, (Remote) Maryland, US Audio Designer

March 2023 - December 2023

Created original music and sound effect assets as part of an audio department using Agile workflow, including sound asset creation, FMOD behavior, and implementing audio directly into C# script in Unity.

- Designed and implemented functional music systems for first two company titles.
- Designed audio assets to fit project scope and maintain compliance with development, art, and narrative departments.
- Directed voiceover sessions.
- Split duties with Audio Lead, helping manage and give feedback on junior audio designers prior to being sent to technical sound designers, and establishing documented best practices for asset design concepts.
- Contributed to Marketing posts, providing writing, audio/video editing, and voiceover.

Company References: Nicholas Revell (CEO, Co-founder), Adam Brown (Former Audio Lead)

Game Project Highlights

Keyword 2 (City From Naught)

- Provided ambient, UI, foley, and special effect sound assets to spec.
- Working closely with technical sound designers to build FMOD events and implement into Unity.

Tales of Valoris (Digital Scorpion Interactive)

- Composed all music assets, and contributed sound assets.
- Provided creative direction for audio department, including planning FMOD music event systems.

Hit n' Bit (Digital Scorpion Interactive)

- Composed all music for the first large area of the game, including creating adaptive behavior in FMOD and connecting to Unity script components. (Click here to view a video walkthrough of this FMOD project).
- Created and implemented sound assets for main player characters.

Hare Runner (Sleepy Donut)

- Contributed music, sound effects, and voiceover to the project.
- Game scored in the top 3% in the audio category for the Ludum Dare game jam 2023.