

# SHAUN NORTON

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## KEY SKILLS

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- Experimental design
- Prototyping in-engine/C#
- Art & narrative direction
- Concept pitches & GDD
- Remote studio work
- Flexible & resourceful

## WORK HISTORY

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### Developer/Designer

Thaum Games

Melbourne & Vietnam

02/2021 - present

*Unstung, Moon Slime & Call the Wizards* (Unity/VR):

- Solo-developed & shipped 3 VR games from 2021 - 2023.
- Pitched & delivered for a Meta mixed reality grant in 2023, including scene recognition & hand tracking.
- Focused on fast-paced, innovative third-person gameplay.
- Managed external artists and modified assets as required.

### Junior Programmer

Hipster Whale

Melbourne

12/2021 - 07/2022

*Crossy Road* franchise (Unity/mobile):

- Gameplay prototyping (scripting, multiplayer & UX focus).
- Documentation/internal training for scripting API (TypeScript).
- Agile, remote team, learning from industry veterans.

### Unity Programmer

Toast Interactive

Gold Coast

07/2021 - 11-2021

*Richie's Plank Experience* (Unity/VR):

- Bug fixing and quality-of-life improvements
- Project manage & implemented Christmas content update.

*Max Mustard* (Unity/VR):

- Prototyped 4 boss fights (AI/Behaviour Trees).
- Integrated audio (FMOD).
- Implemented gameplay mechanics.

### Other relevant experience

- Volunteered at game industry events (esports, game jams).
- Participated in 5 game jams as programmer, artist, producer.
- Advanced Microsoft Office & Photoshop user.

### Other roles

- Retail Manager/Admin 2014 - 2021
- Web/Graphic Designer 2013 - 2014
- Customer Service/Office Assistant (various) 2003 - 2013

## EDUCATION

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### Bachelor of Business

#### (Marketing)

Victoria University, 2018

Special awards:

- Outstanding Student in Marketing (Final Year)
- Outstanding Student in Business Law