

WILL RIDENOUR

WRITER

PROFILE SUMMARY

Writer and producer who has worked in the gaming industry for 4+ years. I have been involved in everything from 10-person indie arcade games displayed at PAX's Indie Showcase to AAA openworld crime games. Check out samples of my work here: https://www.dangerwillridenour.com/

SKILLS

Twine, Final Draft Microsoft Word, Excel, OneNote Unity, Unreal Hansoft, JIRA, Trello Confluence, Perforce

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WORK EXPERIENCE

DEEP SILVER VOLITION Production Assistant | Jun 2021 - Jul 2022

- At various times, worked closely with the UI, audio, writing, VFX, and accessibility teams to meet critical project deadlines.
- Took on additional duties to assist in underserved areas, including tracking hours, assigning tasks, and interfacing with third-party vendors.
- Worked closely with external studios to support our localization pipeline, from submission to translation to bugfixing.

QA Tester | Jan 2019 - Jun 2021

- Was a tester on Saint's Row (2022).
- Was responsible for bug tracking and regression, wrote multiple training documents and test plans, and served as the QA contact for multiple teams.

GAMES FOR ENTERTAINMENT AND LEARNING LAB Designer | May 2017 - Sep 2018

- Prototyped, implemented and tested levels and systems for three games (the arcade game Plunder Panic and the mobile games Dream Racer and Tahir's Playbook).
- Was also responsible for QA testing and bugfixing, as well as miscellaneous duties including creating and implementing animation systems.

SIDE PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Wrote and published tabletop RPG adventures on DM's Guild, where they have been downloaded 500+ times.
- Was writer and producer for 7 Didn't 8 9, a narrative-driven murder mystery game, as part of a three day game jam with other professional game developers. Writing done includes an intro, three endings, and branching conversations for seven characters.
- Created A Tower, a Princess, and a Dragon, a fairytale-inspired interactive fiction with eight possible endings (14k words).

EDUCATION

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY B.S. in Media and Information, 2018

- Minor in Game Design
- Attended from Aug 2014 to Jul 2018