# THOMAS SCHINAS

TECHNICAL DESIGNER

#### **PROFILE**

A technical designer with 4 years experience in localization and release management, where I learned to solve complex problems and deliver on tight deadlines. Currently finishing my studies at Futuregames through an internship at TTK Games, I am experienced in Unreal Engine and Unity and excited to continue learning game design.



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<u>Portfolio</u>

#### **SKILLS**

Game Engines Unreal Engine, Unity

Languages C#, Angelscript, C++

Tools Jira, Perforce, Miro, GitHub,

Office Suite, DrawlO, GIMP

#### **LANGUAGES**

English Native

Japanese Fluent (N1 Certified)

Swedish Beginner

# **OTHER**

Japanese Language Proficiency Test N1

Game Design Class Representative

My shipped titles

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

# **Technical & Systems Designer Intern**

TTK Games 2025-Stockholm, Sweden

- Prototyped, implemented, and iterated on gameplay components
- Analyzed and refined existing gameplay components
- Worked closely with leads and directors to execute on the game vision
- Attended and organized company-wide playtests to gather feedback
- Participated in brainstorming, identified and tested issues, and created feature documentation

# Localization & localization project management

Dragonbaby LLC. 2022-2024

Freelance

- Became the authority on one shounen manga IP to ensure a faithful translation and a correct internal glossary
- Established a framework for offering CERO age ratings services
- Successfully led teams in the translation of three titles

#### Localization & release team lead

Oizumi Amuzio Inc. 2021-2022

Tokyo, Japan

- Brought on three new staff and trained them
- Ran weekly meetings to assess timelines and address blockers
- Improved scheduling through new project management tools
- Successfully oversaw the release of 18 titles with minimal delays

#### Localization & release coordinator

Oizumi Amuzio Inc. 2020-2021

Tokyo, Japan

- Standardized company practices by codifying CERO age ratings, TRC & Guidelines, and internal LQA processes
- Increased revenue by assisting in new title acquisition
- Assisted team in researching Playstation and Nintendo platforms, resulting in smoother releases and forging lasting connections

#### **English operations manager**

Sega Games, 2019-2020

Tokyo, Japan

- Translated all game-related text from Japanese to English for the highest grossing mobile game (released 2016) in the company.
- Organized a full-scale revision of game text, improving DAU by standardizing English in-game terminology
- Increased user satisfaction scores by adhering more diligently to existing IP
- Played the live game religiously to understand the product and ensure quality

# Freelance Translation Self Employed 2015-2019

Freelance

# **EDUCATION**

#### Game Design

Futuregames Stockholm, Sep. 2023 - Specialization: technical and systems design

# **Japanese Language Studies**

Fukuoka Foreign Lanugage College, April 2016 - April 2018 Fukuoka, Japan

#### **Study Abroad**

Kansai Gaidai University, Jan. - Dec. 2013 Hirakata, Japan

#### **Bachelor in East Asian Studies**

Central Connecticut State University, Aug. 2010 - May 2015

New Britain, Connecticut, USA