

# Gabriel Lewis

## Level Designer

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A motivated 3D level designer creating spaces in both Unreal and Unity. Competent using: Unreal 4/5, Unity, Blueprints, Basic C#, Blender, and GitHub.

## Experience

### **Level & Game Designer** - Ludophoria Ltd • Penryn • May 2022 - Present

- Sole level designer in an eight-person team, creating a 2D action Co-op platformer using Unity Engine.
- Working in engine, placing enemies, scripting encounters and gameplay events that help to establish the flow and pacing of the levels.
- Created detailed design documents to inform other disciplines, showing level intention, and level mechanics, and utilising PowerPoint to present new levels and mechanics.
- Utilised agile methodologies, including scrum and stand-up meetings, to optimise collaboration and project progression.

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### **Associate Level Design Lecturer** - Falmouth University • Penryn • Feb 2024 - May 2024

- Collaborating closely with design lecturers to deliver course content that guides students through the process of crafting game levels.
- Providing comprehensive insights on both technical and theoretical aspects of level design.
- Offering constructive feedback on students' work in order for them to improve and develop.

### **Freelance Level & Game Designer** - The Eden Project • Penryn • Aug 2023 - Sep 2023

- Collaborated within a small team to develop an educational game for The Eden Project, to raise awareness about the pressing seagrass crisis.
- Designed level layout, gameplay loops, mechanics, and win conditions, and implemented them in the level.
- Responded to client feedback, and iterated on the levels accordingly.
- Using C# code, facilitating the creation of rapid prototypes for further iteration by the team's programmers.
- Currently live at the Eden Project, being played by hundreds of visitors a day.

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## Projects

### **Sunderbuss** - Level and Game Design - Unreal 5 - Early pre-production

- A first person tactical stealth shooter that relies on a solar powered gun.
- Collaborating with another game designer in order to rapidly prototype, review, and iterate on gameplay and level layouts.
- Design Document: [Here](#)

- Current MVP Level Document: [Here](#)
- Prototype of light charging the gun: [Here](#)

### **Construction Crater** - Level Design - Unreal 5 - Work in Progress

- A first person shooter inspired by that of TitanFall 2 and Halo Reach.
- The aim of the project is to develop skills using Unreal Blueprints in order to prototype and create level mechanics that could fit in a First Person Shooter game.
- Level Design Document: [Here](#)
- Run through of the first area: [Here](#)

### **Boltgun (Fan Map)** - Level Design - Unreal 4 - Finished Prototype

- A map designed around the First Person Shooter game Boltgun, released by Auroch Digital (2023).
  - The map was developed following guidance from Samuel Harden (a Boltgun Level Designer) - iterating on feedback, and suggestions.
  - Level Design Doc: [Here](#)
  - Build Folder: [Here](#)
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## Interests

### **Games:**

- Throughout my time playing video games I have always been drawn to those which are heavily cinematic and narrative driven. I adore getting lost in a game's narrative, or even coming up with my own if the game suits that experience.
- My Top Plays of the Past Year: *God Of War* (Santa Monica Studio, Jetpack Interactive, 2018), *Halo Reach* (Bungie Inc, 2010), *Ghost of Tsushima* (Sucker Punch Productions, 2020).
- Currently Playing: *Red Dead Redemption 2* (Rockstar Games, 2018).

### **Film:**

- Growing up, alongside playing many games, I was also very fortunate to be able to see a copious amount of films. This has led me to be fascinated about cinema, cinematic practices, and how these elements could be used in video games.

### **Architecture:**

- Architecture is a more recent love that I developed over the course of my Masters. Whilst uncovering the joys of Level Design I stumbled across use of architecture in games. How the structure of a building can affect the viewer's emotion, decision making, and perception fascinates me. I have recently been enjoying the book '101 Things I Learned in Architecture School', getting daily tips that I can take into my level design practice.

## Education

### **Sumo Group Evolve Programme - Leadership Training in the Games Industry**

Sumo • Falmouth • May 2024 - Jun 2024

### **Level Design for Games**

CGMA • Falmouth • May 2023 - Jul 2023

### **MA in Game Design**

Falmouth University • Penryn • Sep 2021 - Sep 2022

### **BSc in Applied Sports and Exercise Science**

Northumbria University • Newcastle • Sep 2017 - May 2020