

# Ransom Linder

## Quest Designer

### CONTACT

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#### LinkedIn

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#### Portfolio

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### SKILLS

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Quest Design

Narrative Writing

Level Design

3D Modeling

Technical Writing

Concept Art

### SOFTWARE

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Unreal Engine 4 and 5

Inky

G Suite

Photoshop

Maya

Perforce

### LANGUAGES

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#### Coding

- Blueprints
- C++
- Python
- Ink

#### Natural

- English
- Japanese

### EDUCATION

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#### The Narrative Department

Game Writing Masterclass  
2024

#### Texas A&M University

BS Visualization, Minor in  
Game Design  
2023

### PROJECTS

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#### One Friend Online | Team of 3 | April 2023 - October 2023

*Showcased at Games Y'all Oct 23, Vizagogo 2022*

- Worked with co-writer to weave story and gameplay in a 3D adventure game with co-designer, wrote the script of levels 1, 2, and 4.
- Blocked out and set dressed levels 2 and 4 in UE5, collaborating with co-designer and artist for environmental storytelling.
- Iterated on design, adding landmarks and props based on playtesting sessions to ensure players interpreted the story as intended.

#### Emergent Narrative Prototype | Solo | January 2023 - May 2023

- Coded an abstract procedural narrative generator, based on three act structure via Blueprints.
- Developed system that detects the player's goal, then tells AI assets to conflict with that goal, in increasing difficulty.

#### Sun, Moon, and Harmony | Team of 2 | June 2022 - July

*Showcased at Vizagogo 2023*

- Planned and blocked out 4 short 3D levels—modeling, lighting, and texturing characters and props to suit tone and pacing.
- Implemented non-verbal narrative quest, using environmental storytelling to tell a short story.
- Designed magic combo mechanics, implemented their puzzles, and placed enemies to correspond with beats and the player's experience.

#### Don't Get Ghosted | Team of 5 | May 2021 - August 2021

*Showcased at Games Y'all Jan 24*

- Created level layout and white boxed level, wrote dialogue options and weighted responses for ghosted lose-condition.
- Implemented multitasking system where the player switches between sneaking away from their boss and texting their girlfriend.
- Recruited playtesters and filtered their feedback for balancing both lose condition's difficulty.

### EXPERIENCE

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#### Data Imagery Editor 2D Environments | July 2024 - Present

- Skillfully analyze and remedy deficiencies by marking 3D generated data.
- Communicate effectively in a team based environment.
- Use comparative analysis to establish conformity throughout projects.
- QA tasks to ensure the project standard is upheld.