# **EDDIE DOMINGUEZ**

## Lead Environment Artist | Cinematics | Technical Art

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Vancouver, Canada

## **SUMMARY**

Lead Environment Artist with over 11 years experience in the gaming industry. Specializes in environment art, proficient in 3D modeling tools, blueprint scripting and passionate about creating stories through immersive worlds.

#### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Environment Art · Team Leadership · Level Art · Level Design · Composition · Lighting ·

Unreal Engine 5 · Autodesk Maya · Substance Designer & Painter · Blender · Zbrush

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## Principal Environment Artist

08/2024

#### **Cloud Chamber**

Canada

- Revamped pipeline for level art and worked together with technical art to create and upgrade tools for all environment artist in the team.
- Created benchmark maps for level artists.

#### Lead Environment Artist

06/2020 - 05/2024

#### **Phoenix Labs**

Vancouver, Canada

- Spearheaded the Dauntless Reforged overhaul, where we redid every level in the game and turned it into a refreshed open world system. Outside of environment work, directed the look, optimization and level design of 10+ new levels, as well as supported tech art in implementation and optimization.
- Coordinated a team of environment, VFX, concept, sound artists and designers for the Radiant Escalation and Gauntlet seasons where we created 6 new levels with new systems for dynamic environmental storytelling.
- Fostered connections with player communities, collaborating to turn out-ofbounds issues into Easter egg opportunities, noticeably increasing player interaction with new releases.
- Lead a team of Environment Artists from the ground up for an *Unannounced Title* where we created en extensive stylized open world with a real unique feel.

#### Cinematic Level Artist

04/2018 - 06/2020

#### The Coalition Studio

Vancouver, Canada

- Worked as a Level artist for <u>Gears of War 5</u> responsible for the visual design of several levels, game assets, cinematic composition and integration.
- Acted as a Cinematic Level Artist for the Gears 5: Hivebusters DLC, focusing on level art, composition, lighting passes, tooling, materials, blueprint support, and optimization.
- Coordinated between environment art, technical art, layout and game design to achieve ambitious visual goals, and integrating everything within Unreal Engine.

#### Lead Environment Artist

04/2016 - 05/2018

#### Fuji&Gumi Games

Tokyo, Japan

- Worked as the Lead Environment, Weapon, and Props Artist for the mobile JRPG "Phantom of the Kill".
- Designed, created, and supervised the creation of levels, gear, weapons, and characters.
- Lead a team of five artists and designers.
- Coordinated and reviewed outsourced work from three other companies in Japan.
- Supported the team with technical tooling by creating an extensive asset library and management tools to improve the project's pipeline.



#### **KEY ACHIEVEMENTS**

Innovative Art Pipeline Implementation

Pioneered a new art pipeline that reduced production times and optimized team workflow.

Japanese Goverment
MEXT Scholarship

First Dominican awarded the Japanese Monbukagakusho scholarship for a technical degree. Later received the scholarship again for a bachelor's degree.

## **INTERESTS**

Environment Storytelling

Enthusiastic about exploring innovative ways to enhance narrative through interactive and dynamic systems.

Tabletop World Building

20+ years passion of creating multitude of worlds for tabletop games with an absolute drive to continue telling stories through environments.

Painting

Keen painter, specializing in exploring the darker side of the human condition, lighting, and colors, fueling inspiration for game environments.

#### **LANGUAGES**

Spanish	Native	•••••
Japanese	Proficient	••••
Fnalish	Proficient	••••

#### **EDUCATION**

## **Bachelor in Media Science**

Tokyo University of Technology 04/2011 - 04/2013 Tokyo, Japan

Technical in 3D Art

Nippon Kogakuin College

04/2009 - 04/2011 Tokyo, Japan

## **EXPERIENCE**

**3D** Artist 04/2013 - 04/2016

Media.Vision Tokyo, Japan

- Worked as a "generalist" in various areas including Environmental Art, Character
- Worked as a generalist in various aleas including Environmental Art, Character Modelling, UX Design, Localization, and Video Editing.
   Managed and trained a team of 5 environment artists and level designers.
   Worked on a multitude of titles for different platforms, including: <u>Valkyria Chronicles 4</u> <u>Summon Night 6: Lost Borders</u> <u>Digimon Story: Cyber Sleuth</u> Shining Resonance • Magic & Cannon.