ANDREW TODD

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

NextWave Safety, New York City, NY

May 2023 - Present

Product Designer, XR

- Created high-fidelity prototypes for the Trenching and Excavation module, driving a 30% increase in user engagement and a 20% boost in training effectiveness.
- Filmed, edited, and deployed multiple 360 videos using stereoscopic 3D video and aerial drone footage to create immersive videos.
- Developed an innovative Trenching and Excavation module using 360 video technology for training construction workers; resulting in a 40% reduction in on-site accidents and improved operational efficiency by 25%.

NextWave Safety, New York City, NY

February 2022 - Present

Product Manager, XR

- Managed the development of 5 virtual reality products by collaborating with cross-functional teams including engineers, artists, and designers.
- Product Manager for Blueprint Reading VR, nominated for VR Education and Training Solution of the Year.
- Defined product roadmaps, feature prioritization, and release schedules using agile methodologies.

Clemson University, Clemson, SC

DECEMBER 2020 - FEBRUARY 2022

Research Technician II (VR Developer)

- Lead Developer on multiple simulations for the Federal Aviation Administration, including nondestructive inspection to reduce catastrophic failure.
- Led a team of doctors, psychologists, and other medical professionals to develop a VR module, that alleviates pain for cancer patients. One of the first VR experiences to be prescribed to patients.
- Leveraged emerging technologies to enhance student learning outcomes and expanded partnerships within higher education.

San Antonio College, San Antonio, TX

FEBRUARY 2016 - DECEMBER 2020

IT Digital Media Specialist

- Awarded an Innovation Grant to develop a VR lab for students and faculty to enhance their education and lessons.
- Led a development team in the creation of 25 education simulations to aid faculty in student learning; which led to a 65% increase in students' grades.
- Conducted research on emerging technologies and best practices for using extended reality and gaming in education.

EDUCATION

The Art Institute of San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014

Bachelor of Fine Arts, Media Arts and Animation

President of the Acting club

SKILLS & OTHER

Skills: TIME's Person of the Year 2006, Figma, ShapesXR, XR Enthusiast, Filmmaker, Certified Drone Pilot, User Research, Communication, After Effects, Strategic thinking, 3D Modeling, Maya, Zbrush, Team Leadership, Photography, Unreal Engine, Unity