# **Michael Cullen**

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## Senior Sound Designer

Sound Designer with 9 years of experience designing immersive audio for video games, films, and VR experiences. Expert in audio pipeline – recording, editing, implementing, mixing – and audio technology to deliver award-winning sound design.

#### **Professional Experience**

**Senior Sound Designer – Zynga** | San Diego, CA (2018–Present)

- Providing audio direction for multiple mobile games:
  - Harry Potter Match 3.
  - Willy Wonka's World of Candy Match 3.
  - Wizard of Oz Magic Match 3.
- Manage all aspects of audio for the games: concept, creation, implementation, and mix.
- Create audio specs for team of sound designers and composers to follow.
- Implement audio in Unity using proprietary audio engine and custom C# scripts.
- 2019 GANG Audio Award Finalist.

#### Audio Implementer - Moonwalk Audio | San Francisco, CA (2017-2018)

- Implement and organize audio assets for Pocket Gems' Wild Beyond mobile game.
- Collaborate with Design and Engineering teams to improve proprietary audio engine.

### **Technical Sound Designer – Somatone Interactive** | Emeryville, CA (2016–2017)

- Design sound effects and implement assets for mobile, VR, PC, arcade, and indie games.
- Coordinate, record, edit, and master English and foreign language voiceover dialogue.
- Implement audio into various game engines and middleware software.
- Project manage and prioritize tasks for in-house sound designers, composers, and interns.
- Notable clients: Warner Brothers, GREE, Gameloft, JamCity, Linden Labs, Frima, PlayQ Super Evil Megacorp, Peak, Huuuge, Pocket Gems, Pop-A-Shot

## Sound Designer, Implementer, and Video Editor – UC Irvine | Irvine, CA (2015–2016)

- Sound design and implement audio in Unity for multiple Oculus video games.
- Record and edit gameplay footage for marketing purposes.

## Freelance Sound Designer and Video Editor | California (2011-Present)

- Recorded, edited, and mixed over 100 films, video games, and music projects.
- Craft and produce videos for two personal YouTube channels. Over 450K total views.

#### Education

### Bachelor of Fine Arts, Film Production - Chapman University | Orange, CA

- Sound Design emphasis with Vocal Performance Music Minor. Magna cum laude.

#### **Technical Skills**

Avid Pro Tools, Wwise, FMOD, Reaper, Elias, Soundminer, Amadeus, REV, iZotope RX, Waves, VST Adobe Creative Suite, Unity, Lumberyard, Perforce, Git, C#, Python, MonoDevelop, Maya, JIRA, Slack