# **CONTACT**

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#### **SKILLS**

Unity + C#

C++, HTML, CSS, PHP

Json

Git

Adobe Illustrator

Adobe Photoshop

Adobe InDesign

Adobe Xd

Blender, 3Ds Max

Microsoft Office Package, Drive

Online Website Builders

Social media

## LANGUAGES

English - fluent

Russian - fluent

Estonian - beginner

Finnish - intermediate

#### REFERENCES

#### Joonas Laakso

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# |Hello,my name is Valerija Nikulina

#### SUMMARY

Knowledgeable and detail-oriented Junior Game Programmer with front-end development skills accustomed to working in fast-paced and deadline-driven environments. Worked on Stranger Things mobile game, and generated UI/UX for a number of prototypes. I have an extensive expertise in using Unity 3D and 2D, Adobe CC package and Unreal Engine and my background in Art History gives me a different approach to different areas of game development.

I'm looking for new challenges in the game industry as a programmer or  $\mbox{UI/UX}$  designer.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

May 2020 - present

Junior Game Programmer @ Combo Breaker

I've joined Combo Breaker and Sociable Soccer just before a big update, so this period has been chaotic period. Duting this time I've worked closely with designers Jon Hare and Steven Huckle on UX design and then implemented those changes into the game. Because this is a small company, you wear a lot of hats: programmer, designer, tester. Lately I've been redesigning the website.

Oct 2019 - Apr 2020

Game Programming Trainee @ Next Games Oyj

First two months: introduced to the game industry and Next Games way of working; made three prototypes.

Next four months: worked on upcoming Stranger Things mobile game. I've made several features and worked closely with designers, UX designers, producers and other programmers. Also participated in company's prototyping days working on a treasure hunt game.

All work has been done in Unity with C#.

May 2019 - Sept 2019

**Game Developer Internship** @ Metal Bawxed Studios Online collaboration at a semi-professional team. Developed UX flow, created UI assets and implemented all into Unity. Worked closely with designers, artists and programmers; it was an ambitious PC game project based on Warhammer 40,000 aiming to pitch to Games Workshop. This game was made in Unity with C#.

May 2016 - present

**Graphic and Web Designer** @ KlubOk ry (volunteering)

I have joined KlubOk (non-commercial organization) to be a graphic designer, but then I've started and supported the website, created UI/UX for it, organized events, gave lectures on art and art history, supported Russian-speaking mothers and families.

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# Please, feel free to contact me!

#### **EDUCATION**

2018 - 2020

Game Development

Stadin Ammattiopisto

2018 - 2019

**Game Development Courses** 

Udemy, Codecademy

2016

3Ds Max Diploma

**Knower School** 

2016

**Graphic Design Diploma** 

**Shaw Academy** 

2012 - 2015

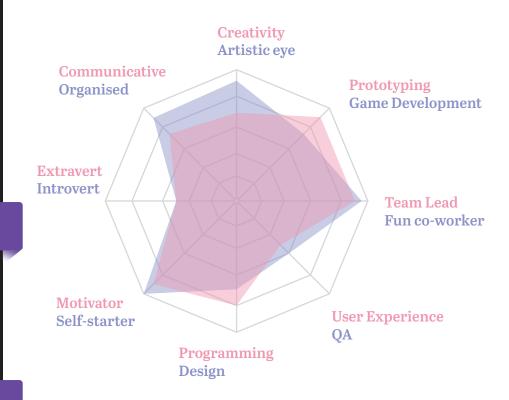
**BA** Art and Art History

University of Wales

1999 - 2007

Art, Design, History

Design School



#### ARCHIVEMENTS

6 art exhibitions in 4 countries Winner of an international art competition in 2004 Never lose in Monopoly My photographs were used in a local newspaper in Wales

#### HOBBIES

Art & Art History Animals Cinematography Board Games Education History Talking Volunteering