

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Proper screenplay formatting. Final Draft, Celtx, etc.
- Character creation
- Ability to write collaboratively in a writer's room.
- Acting and On-Set experience.
- Able to work under tight deadlines.
- Microsoft Office.
- World-building.
- Knowledge of SAG union and WGA.
- Well versed in Pop Culture.

(Film,TV, Games)

- Jira (in the process of learning)

CERTIFICATIONS

- Story and Narrative Development for Video Games Certification (California Institute of the Arts)
- World Design for Video Games (California Institute of the Arts)
- Google IT Support Professional Certification

PERSONAL SKILLS

- Creative spirit
- Reliable and professional
- Organized
- Audio Engineering (Pro Tools, Logic)
- Time management
- Team player
- Fast learner
- Motivated

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COLTON STEPHENS

WRITER

ABOUT

I am an "out of the box" writer with a unique background having written and performed comedy for the famous Second City theatre in Chicago. My 30-minute pilot, "Couples Therapy" landed me a spot in the semi-finals of the Nickelodeon Writing Fellowship in 2020. I'm now looking to use my unique background and skillset to break into the video game industry. I'd love to share a few writing samples, so, uh... Ask me for some.

WORK EXPERIENCE

WRITER (CONTRACT)

Flare (Indie Game) | Spring 2022

- Created a level-by-level narrative outline for the game.
- Wrote succinct, story-building cutscenes in order to tell the story in a short but engaging manner.
- Wrote dozens of barks for the main playable character, Flare, as well as for the main villain, Rhino and his five goons.

WRITER (FREELANCE)

Culture Slate | Present

- Write unique articles about pop culture (usually Star Wars) for an increasingly growing fanbase (50,000 +).
- Push out articles under deadlines set by management.

WRITER / PERFORMER

The Second City (Chicago) | May 2018 - March 2020

- Wrote weekly sketches to be performed on the House Team (Twisty) at Second City Chicago.
- Collaborated with a group of writers in order to assure quality sketches were used in the show.
- Fine-tuned the necessary skills to create interesting characters and an engaging premise consistently.

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN APPLIED SCIENCE

Tarleton State University (Cum Laude) | 2020- 2022 GPA 3.8

ASSOCIATES OF SCIENCE, GENERAL STUDIES Grayson College | 2015 - 2018

AWARDS / ACHIEVEMENTS

- Tarleton Pride Scholarship (2021-2022)
- Ray and Mary Morrisson Scholarship (2017)
- Consistently sold-out shows at Second City.President's List (2021, 2022) (Tarleton State)
- Second City Shorts Festival Finalist