### Christian Grant Wheeler

### Immersive Reality Game Development

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#### **Education**

Savannah College of Art and Design 2021 - 2025 BFA Immersive Reality BFA Game Development

#### Skills

Gameplay Programming
Game Design
C# Scripting
Unreal Blueprinting
Virtual Production
Agile
Version Control

## Software Unreal Engine

Unity Engine
Maya
FMOD
Substance Painter
Substance Designer
Perforce
Plastic SCM/ Unity Dev Ops

### **Achievements**

#### **SCAD**

- Global Game Jam Pops n Bobbers: Winner Best Best Design
- Entelechy Awards <u>Candybalism</u>: Best Small Team 3D

#### **Rookies Game Competition**

Game of the Year - Immersive Media
 Finalist: <u>Echoes of a Silent Garden</u>

### **Experience**

# Echoes of a Silent Garden | Lead Gameplay Programer | Unity Engine | Savannah, Ga | 2023 -2025

- Led an interdisciplinary team, overseeing project direction and milestone delivery.
- Developed a GOAP AI system for dynamic enemy behavior.
- Implemented VR interactions with Autohand for object manipulation and environmental interaction.
- Integrated FMOD for location-based audio feedback.
- Optimized the project for standalone deployment on Meta
   Quest 3, focusing on performance and memory efficiency.

# <u>Candybalism</u> | *Lead Gameplay Programer* | Unreal Engine Savannah, Ga | 2024 - 2025

- Served as team lead for a small interdisciplinary team using Agile workflow
- Sole programmer, responsible for all gameplay systems, tools, and technical implementation.
- Took on full development responsibilities, from prototyping to final implementation, including UI, AI, and optimization.
- Collaborated closely with artists and designers, acting as technical lead and primary problem solver for all coding tasks

# <u>Protocol Corruption</u> | *Solo Developer* | Unity Engine Savannah, Ga | 2025

- Built modular Conquest Node system for strategic territory capture and resource management
- Developed dynamic A\* AI with random targets to challenge player defenses unpredictably
- Created corruption mechanic where enemy AI converts player units, increasing tension
- Used Scriptable Objects and dictionaries for flexible, customizable gameplay features

## <u>Immersive Reality Club</u> | *Co-President* | Savannah, Ga | 2022 - Present

- Acted as liaison between the student body and faculty.
- Supported the planning and execution of alumni and industry professional workshops.
- Organized and coordinated student-focused events.