# **Dan Kitchen**

**Game Design Professional** 

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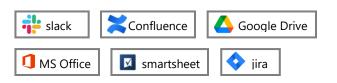
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# **SUMMARY**

- Accomplished Game Design Professional with over 20 years of experience as a Designer, Producer, Creative Director, Game Visionary and Licensing Expert
- Skilled Game Programmer with a unique insight into the process of creating and releasing Casual F2P Games on time and within budget constraints
- Talented Game Producer with the expertise to indentify and manage global Art, Engineering and QA Teams
- Expert at crafting "fun engaging game play"

## PROJECT MANAGEMENT TOOLS



# CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

#### **Designer of Top Ranked Casual Games**

Passionate Designer of numerous F2P Casual Games including SUDOKU, MINIATURE GOLF, SOLITAIRE, BOWLING, BILLIARDS, TEXAS HOLD 'EM and PING PONG for mobile and online game portals

#### **Producer of 140+ Commercially Released Titles**

Experienced Game Producer credited with over 140 commercially released titles across mobile, online and console platforms generating over \$100MM in revenue

#### **Creator of Top-Tiered Branded Games**

Talented Creator of games based upon top-tiered brands including GOLDEN NUGGET, CAESAR'S PALACE, THE SIMPSONS, SPIDERMAN, JAWS, CRASH & SPYRO, GHOSTBUSTERS, and DISNEY'S GOOFY

#### **Renowned Game Designer**

Renowned Activision Designer of Classic Retro Games CRACKPOTS™, KUNG-FU MASTER™, GHOSTBUSTERS™, COMMANDO™, DOUBLE DRAGON™, RIVER RAID II™ and CROSSBOW™



# **GAME DESIGN SKILLS**

- Take game projects from inception through completion and release
- Create and manage all Game Design Documentation
- Develop and manage Project Roadmaps defining backlogs and deliverables
- Identify and mitigate project design and development risks
- Manage project scope and budget within design and delivery constraints
- Collaborate with development partners, cross-company teams and studio leadership
- Manage project scope and budget
- Guide engineering teams from concept through release across required platforms

# SKILLS/STRENGTHS



### EXPERIENCE

#### President/CEO

#### Tiki Interactive, LLC.

2009 – Ongoing | Simsbury, CT Contract Game Services

- Recent game projects: Mythical Games EPIC SPELL WARS<sup>™</sup> (Steam), Ultimax Games - STONEHOLD<sup>™</sup> (Steam), Majesco Entertainment - GEMINOSE<sup>™</sup> (Switch), Razorfish Agency -HELLMANN'S EGG DROP<sup>™</sup> (Snapchat)
- Additional clients include: GAF, ShowTime, Unilever, Pocket Gems, Zynga, Big Fish Games, Home Depot, Pixelberry, Persona Labs, Mobus, FoxNext, Playdom and Disney Mobile

#### Vice President, Business & Product Development

#### Gameshastra, Inc.

2009 – 2013 | Princeton, NJ / Hyderabad, India India's largest game developer/publisher

• Managed US Studio responsible for \$4MM in new business in addition to designing Casual Games distributed via Big Fish Games portal

#### Vice President, Business Development

#### Skyworks, Inc.

2006 - 2009 | Hackensack, NJ

Top 100 Interactive Agency known for pioneering playable ads

• Designed/Produced 10+ F2P Mobile Games in addition to 30+ casual games for major CPG brand sites including candystand.com, planters.com and nabiscoworld.com

Vice President, Product Development & Licensing

#### Majesco Entertainment

2000 – 2006 | Edison, NJ

Leading mass market publisher of console and hand-held games

 Managed teams of over 50 internal/external creative and technical staff while overseeing all aspects of licensing and development

### **EDUCATION**

Computer Science/Electrical Engineering

Fairleigh Dickenson University

Teaneck, NJ

### DISTINCTIONS

*	National Video Game Museum Honored Inductee and Lifetime Member
*	Int'l Game Design Association Lifetime Member
*	Featured Game Designer Amazon Prime Series "Batteries Not Included"
*	Game Industry Speaker Retro Game Cons
*	Game Technology Expert Witness Patent and Trademark Cases
*	Feature Film Technical Consultant Sony Pictures/Happy Madison's "Grandma's Boy" feature film
*	<b>Creative Artists Agency</b> Former Game Design Representation

### TESTIMONIAL

*I first met and worked with Dan when he was an Atari 2600 game Designer at Activision. I have always found him to be an imaginative manager and passionate designer.* 

*Jim Charne, Director Interactive Academy of Arts and Sciences* 

### **FAVORITE QUOTE**

*It's kind of fun to do the impossible. Walt Disney* 

# SOME HAPPY CLIENTS

