Morris Long

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Summary

Games writer with an award-winning pedigree and 10+ years of media experience. Blends proven foundations as a screenwriter and transmedia specialist to craft compelling interactive narratives for genres of all kinds.

- Excellent at writing dialogue, structuring stories, developing subplots, and building dynamic characters.
- Proficient in Unreal Engine, Twine, Final Draft, Photoshop, Illustrator, and project management software.
- Passionate creative director with a strong background in collaborating with environment artists, character designers, systems designers, and other project stakeholders to deliver engaging content.
- Experienced narrative designer with an understanding of how to fit complex lore and world building into streamlined systems and LiveOPS strategies.

Education

MFA in Screenwriting | American Film Institute (2015)

• Recipient, China Story Scholarship

BA in Film & Video Production | Columbia College Chicago (2012)

- Graduated Magna Cum Laude
- 3.805 Cumulative GPA

Work Experience

Arrivant Games (2021-2023)

Lead Writer | Head of Transmedia

- Developed narrative design strategy for *Project Eluüne: StarGarden*, an upcoming AAA-standard video game.
- Collaborated with industry-leading writers, developers, and veterans from multimillion dollar IP like *Call of Duty* and *World of Wartanks* to integrate traditional storytelling techniques into a singular vision of community-driven game design.
- Worked with fellow department leads to build a multimedia content pipeline and LiveOPS plan in anticipation of *StarGarden*'s release.

Newbold Harbor Entertainment (2016-2019) Screenwriter

- Wrote *Aleppo*, a short film about the struggles of a Syrian-American doctor coping with the fallout from the civil war in her home country. Film released over Omeleto streaming platform in 2023.
- Official Selection: Bermuda International Film Festival; LA Shorts International Film Festival; Woods Hole Film Festival; Shorts on Tap
- Winner: Fresco International Film Festival; Panavision Young Filmmakers Grant; Bermuda Arts Council Grant

Cloudman Pictures (2017-2018)

Screenwriter

• Wrote script for upcoming project to be developed for Youku platforms.

Red Maiden Entertainment (2015-2016)

Screenwriter

• Optioned a horror screenplay for feature film production.

Awards

2021 Bloodlist

Official Selection

Organization highlights Hollywood's best unproduced genre screenplays and up-and-coming writers. Previous selections include hit projects like Apple TV's *Severance*.

2015 Austin Film Festival

Winner: Best Drama Screenplay Competition

Among the most esteemed film festivals and screenwriting awards in the nation.

Finalist: Script Pipeline Screenwriting Contest (2014); PAGE International Screenwriting Awards (2014); Script Pipeline Screenwriting Contest (2015)

Semi-Finalist: Enderby Entertainment Award (2014); PAGE International Screenwriting Awards (2015); Screencraft Action Screenplay Contest (2016); PAGE International Screenwriting Awards (2017); Script Pipeline Feature Screenwriting Contest (2020)