## Gabriele Serpella - Game Designer

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Milan, MI (Relocation OK)

LinkedIn Profile

Portfolio

## Summary

- **3+ years** in game development with a game published on **Steam** with over **110K downloads** with **mostly positive reviews**
- Gained different skills through work experience, such as: **QA testing, 2D animation & illustration, UI,** particles VFX and Level Design
- Led a team of **10 people** of different department (art, sound, programming and animation) to enhanced players experience
- Focused on System, Gameplay and UI design

## Skills

**Skills --** Gameplay Design, System Design, QA testing, Game loop, 2D illustration & animation, UI/UX, 3C Design, Level Design

**Software --** Unreal Engine 5, Unity, Jira, Niagara, Photoshop, After Effects, Figma, HacknPlan, GitHub, Fork

**Soft Skills --** Cross-team collaboration, Iterative prototyping and testing, Quick Adaptability, Ability to work in a team, Problem Solving

Methodologies -- Agile

# **Published Project**

### Game Designer & QA tester - Sleeping Giant

**STEAMRUSH** - Action Bossrush

Milan, MI/remote July 2022 -- Feb 2024

- Published on Steam with over 110K downloads with mostly positive reviews
- Featured as IGDA's Game of the Month (May 2024).
- Designed a **third person combat system** based on "Temperature" core mechanic
- Designed and implemented particles VFX with the Niagara tool improving the visual feedback of the player
- Conducted daily testing to avoid bugs while improving the player experience

# **Professional Experiences**

### Game Designer & UI/UX Designer - Merkur Group

Cinisello Balsamo, MI/on site July 2024 -- Present

- Designed slot machines design and game reward systems to better engage players
- Curate the symbols of the games "El Torero Raging Bull", "Gem Fall" and "Lucky Pharaoh Wild"
- Redesign the visual appearing and rewards system of "Centurio" and "Amazonia"
- Created visual assets, animations, and high-resolution graphics for physical and digital platforms.

### Mid Game Designer - Stealth Company

**Uproot Humanity - Action Rampage** 

Milan, MI/remote Apr 2024 -- Sep 2025

- Led a team of 10 people of different department (art, sound, programming) to enhanced players experience and ship new features
- Designed 3C, character movement and combos improving the perceived quality of the game
- Conducted daily testing and tuning to improve the gaming experience

### Interaction Designer Intern - Technogym

Cesena, FC/on site Sep 2023 -- May 2024

- Conducted **UX research** to improve the community and their engagement
- Designed UI concepts to improve user interaction and engagement
- Apply Gamification features to their fitness courses and app, increasing total engagement
- Worked on specific app content for the Paris 2024 Olympics to entertain and inform people about Technogym world
- Daily testing of machinery to discover digital format bugs and ensure high quality
- Pitched digital solutions to the R&D Lab team

### **Game Designer - Digitaly Arts**

Moonplague - Horror Story Driven

Milan, MI/remote Dec 2022 -- May 2024

- Redesigned core systems and added new mechanics to enhance gameplay
- Cross-team collaboration (art, sound, programming and animation) to enhance gameplay feeling
- Designed and curated the **enemy design** implementation to maintain the correct design view of the game
- Selected for "Cinecittà" Acceleration Program

## Languages

**Italian --** Native

**English** -- Working profiency (B1)

## Education

Italian Videogame Academy -- Game Design Degree

Milan, MI 2020 - 2023

**IULM University --** Public Relations and Corporate Communication

Milan, MI 2016 - 2019