

# John Emerson

VFX Artist

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Self-taught versatile VFX Artist with 2 years of experience in game development. Looking for an opportunity to apply skillset in a visual effects artist capacity.

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## Technical Skills and Tools

Realtime VFX	Modeling	UV Unwrapping	Baking
Texturing	3ds Max	Maya	Houdini
Substance Designer	Substance Painter	Photoshop	After Effects
Illustrator	Premier Pro	Unreal Engine	Unity

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## Relevant Experience

### Dreamforge Studios

#### **Art Lead**

Jul 2017 – Jun 2018

- Manage concept art and 3D art teams, ensure vision consistency from concept to completion.
- Model and PBR texture environment assets
- Rig modular hard surface meshes
- Create Unreal Engine and Substance Designer master materials
- 3ds Max, Maya, Photoshop, Substance Designer, Substance Painter, Unreal Engine 4, Word, Excel, GitKraken

**Projects:** *Unannounced Project*

### Saving Throw Studios

#### **3D Hard Surface Artist**

Apr - Jun 2016

- Model and PBR texture hard surface meshes
- Rig hard surface meshes for implementation into Unity game engine.
- 3ds Max, Substance Designer, Substance Painter, Unity

**Projects:** *Redline Game*

### Dream Forge Maps

#### **Founder and Lead Level Designer**

Sep 2012 – Jan 2014

- Establish and manage international team of level designers to produce multiplayer levels and consulting activities.
- Achieved 2 levels incorporated into official Activision Blizzard properties and events; 4 in major international eSports tournaments (Major League Gaming, ESL Gaming Network, Collegiate Star League, and Global Starcraft League).
- Galaxy Editor, 3ds Max, Photoshop, Word, Excel

**Projects:** *StarCraft II: Wings of Liberty; StarCraft II: Heart of the Swarm*

## **Miracle Signs**

### ***Graphic Designer***

*Jan - Jun 2010*

- Create high impact animated advertisements for LED sign displays.
- After Effects, Photoshop, Illustrator, Premier Pro

## **Other Experience**

### **City of Derby, Kansas**

#### ***Budget Manager***

*Aug 2016 – Present*

- Investigate potential revenue sources and expenditure reductions, research for special projects including data analytics and reporting.
- Oversee preparation and management of \$70 million annual budget.
- Administrate risk management activities.
- Manage financial analyst and serve on Board of Bids.

### **City of Wichita, Kansas**

#### ***Management Fellow***

*Oct 2015 – Jun 2016*

- Manage special projects and perform high level research and analysis.

**Projects:** *Advanced Learning Library Operations Costs Assessment, Work Order Management Software System, Capital Improvement Projects Integration With Global Information Systems (GIS)*

### **Citizens Bank of Kansas**

#### ***Loan Assistant***

*Jun 2010 – Jun 2014*

- Manage Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) compliance, coordinate loan documentation across all loan officers and assistants across branches on new-loan portfolio exceeding \$30 million.
- Created processes and trained employees across organization.
- Managed front-line operations as necessary including cash drawer and vault audits exceeding \$200,000.

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## **Education**

### **Wichita State University**

*2015*

Master's of Public Administration (MPA)  
Graduate Certificate in Public Finance

### **Wichita State University**

*2012*

Bachelor's of Science