

# David Wright-Spaner

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Game Designer and award-winning Creative Director with 18 years in multimedia design, production, and leadership

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## Skills & Software

- **Leadership** : communication, team-building, emotional intelligence, mentorship
- **Games** : Unity, C#, systems & narrative design, prototyping, playtesting, documentation
- **Audio** : FMOD, Ableton Live, iZotope & FabFilter plugins, recording, foley, voice acting
- **UX, UI, Web** : Figma, HTML, CSS, WordPress, wireframing, web deployment
- **Graphics & Motion** : Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects, art direction, branding

## Education

### MSc, IT University of Copenhagen – 8/2024 - Present :

- Master of Science in Games, to be completed in May of 2026
  - 🏆 **DADIU** - Fall 2025 : Led 13-person team as Director & Producer in Denmark's national game program; *Manorism* featured in Arkaden's "Best Student Games" article.
  - **Kullumu** – Spring 2025 : Led 7-person team for environmental storytelling project.
  - 🏆 **Xibalba** – Fall 2024 : Led 5-person team as Director, Producer, and Audio Lead; won 2025 Best Student Game award from Games Denmark.

### BFA, Savannah College of Art and Design – 8/2004 - 5/2008 :

- Bachelor of Fine Arts in Sound Design and Motion Graphics

## Experience

### Creative Director & Multimedia Designer, Remote Contractor – 7/2020 - Present :

- **Veterans United** – 8/2023 - 2/2025 : Directed redesigns of the company's web properties, leading to +100% increases in organic leads after each launch.
- **Tarsus Group** – 1/2023 - 8/2023 : Directed redesigns of the company's web properties and communications, leading to its acquisition by Informa for \$940M.
- 🏆 **The Arcane Library** – 7/2021 - 4/2023 : Designed assets, strategized marketing, and directed the Kickstarter trailer for *Shadowdark RPG*, leading to \$1.3M of funding in 2023 and four gold ENNIEs in 2024, including Best Game and Product of the Year.
- 🏆 **The Muffin Man** – 10/2018 - 11/2019 : Directed all audio for an independent horror film, leading to six awards, including Best Short from FilmQuest and Brooklyn Horror.



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### Omnicom Media Group, New York City – 7/2018 - 7/2020 :

- **Senior Design Director, Innovation & Multimedia** – 7/2019 - 7/2020 :
  - Led multimedia solutions and coordinated Creative and Technology departments on New Business pitches, winning clients such as Disney, Diageo, Daimler, and U.S. Army.
- **Design Director, Digital & Systems** – 7/2018 - 7/2019 :
  - Collaborated with senior leadership across the company to launch websites, design applications, organize databases, automate workflows, & produce educational content.



### Art Director at Publicis Media, New York City – 8/2015 - 3/2018 :

- Designed websites, presentations, animations, and audio for agencies and New Business pitches, winning clients such as 20th & 21st Century Fox, Fiat Chrysler, and Molson Coors.



### Multimedia Designer, New York City – 11/2008 - 8/2015 :

- Designed multimedia, branding, audio, motion, presentations, and UI/UX for clients and startups including MTV, NBC, Warner, and Ford; helped grow products to 100K+ users and \$4M investment.