

JOB TITLE: Technical Director

Kids know there is nothing quite as fascinating as the ever-changing world of the internet, and nothing more fun than playing with another real live kid. At Smith & Tinker, we're creating connected electronic gaming experiences that combine the endless expandability of online content with the power of neighborhood social dynamics and offline play.

Role and Responsibilities

The Technical Director will be responsible for all technical aspects of product development and will report to the Executive Producer, primary job responsibilities will be:

- Direct management of game and server development teams (approximately 8-10 people)
- Defining technical direction / implementation of all software, incl. development practices and standards.
- Driving development teams to meet production deadlines, reporting on development progress.
- Responsible for team development efficiency, incl. improvements to tools, process, and personnel (i.e. mentoring, training, hiring/firing recommendations, etc.).
- Working collaboratively with Execs, Producers, Artists and Game Design collaboratively to deliver a compelling product.
- Driving the resolution of technical problems in the production environment.

Qualifications and Experience

- 5+ years in a technical leadership / dev lead role in the games industry
- 3+ years experience managing development teams (both client and server) is essential
- Must have experience shipping multiple online games with both a client and server component through the complete product lifecycle.
- Technical knowledge of game development practices and techniques
- Experience with the following technologies and platforms:
 - Unity game engine development (C#) (Essential)
 - Unix, Java, apache, MYSQL and web services (Essential)
 - SOA Architecture and Design (Essential)
 - Smartfox server (Desirable)
 - iPhone development (Desirable)
 - Facebook Apps / Integration (Desirable)
 - XML / XSD
- Experience working in a start-up environment a plus
- Experience working with Agile / Scrum development practices a plus
- Above all open minded with willingness to help out wherever required.

Location

Bellevue (Seattle), Washington

Benefits

Smith & Tinker offers competitive compensation and comprehensive benefits, including stock options, 401(k), medical, dental, vision, and life insurance.

Smith & Tinker is an equal employment opportunity/affirmative action employer. We welcome and encourage diversity in the workplace.

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