

**Asset Management for Park Beyond** 

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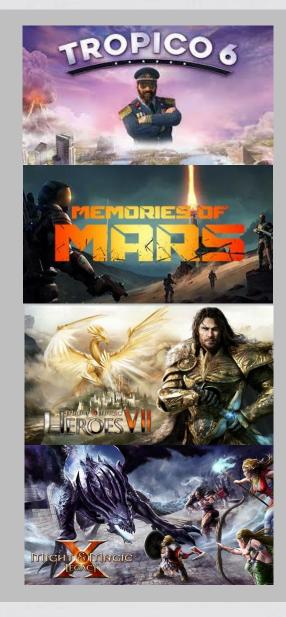
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# LIMBIC ENTERTAINMENT

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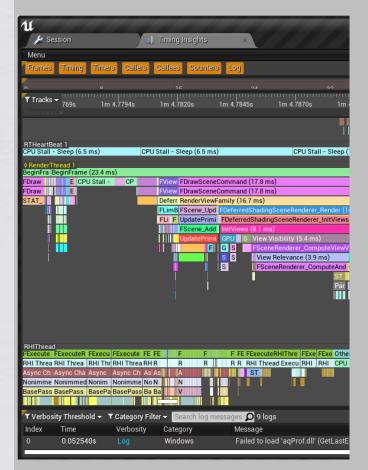
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- **Studios in Langen & Cairo**
- 2-3 projects developed at any given time



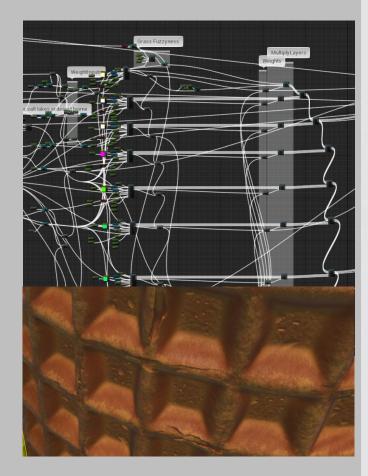




#### **TECH ART**







# WHY ASSET MANAGEMENT?

#### >101.000 Assets in the project folder

- **18.100 Textures**
- 8860 Meshes
- 20.052 Data assets
- + 2392 Videos
- + Engine assets
- + Source files (fbx, sbs, tga,...)

Every possible mistake happens at least once "Being careful" isn't a valid approach



# WHY ASSET MANAGEMENT

## Goals

- Flexibility
- Abscence of errors
- Speed
- Transparency

# Methods

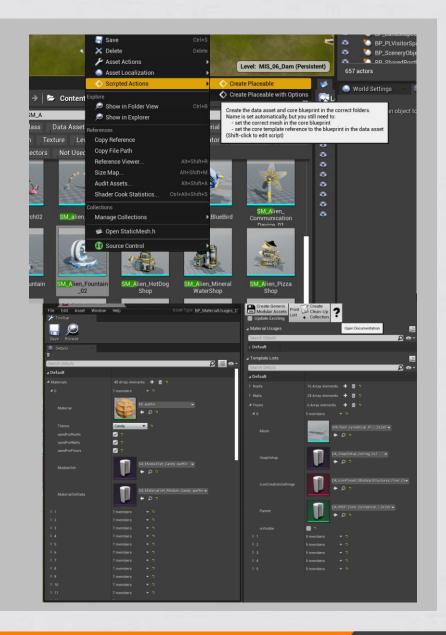
- Conventions
- Communication
- Tools



#### **ASSET CREATION**



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Asset Localization

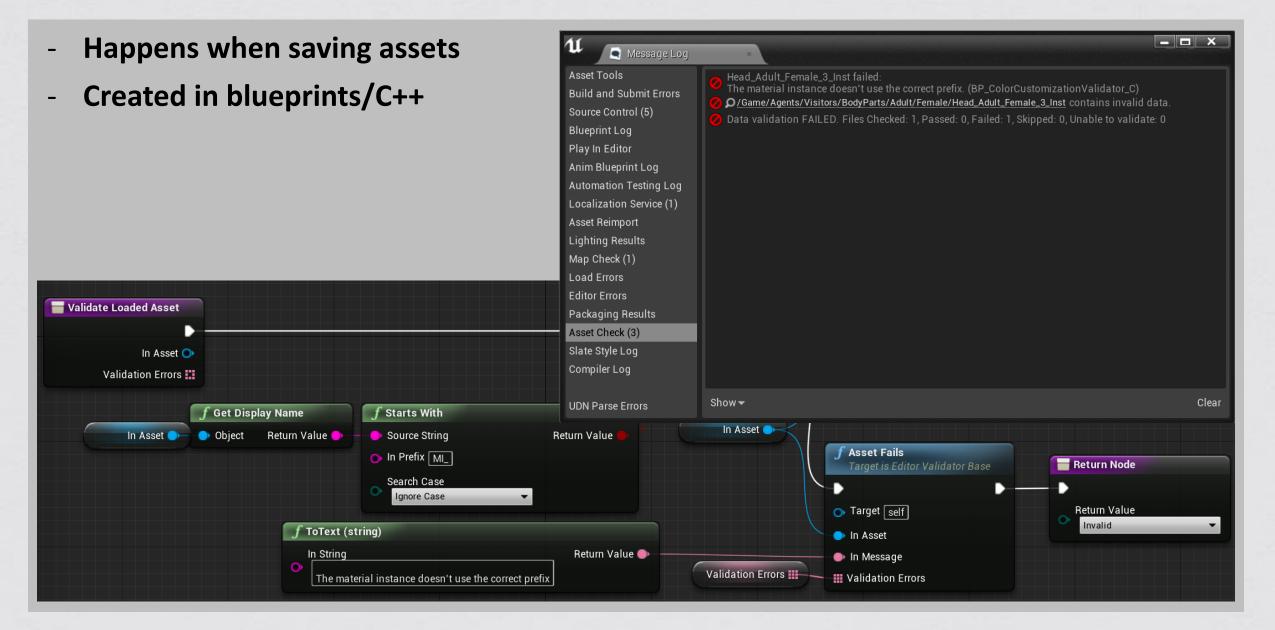
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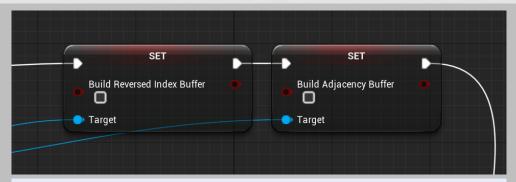


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- Avoid false positives

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#### - Trivial errors are fixed by the validator

- Mesh Import Settings
- Color Customization Data
- Shadow Casting







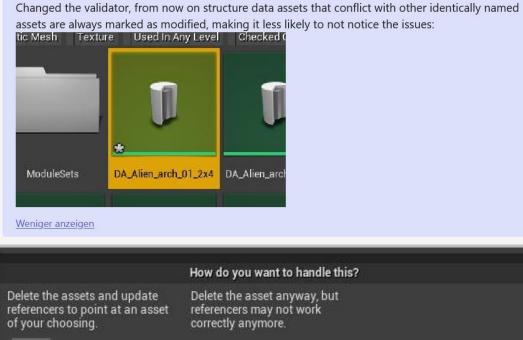
When saving a skeletal mesh, shadow casting gets disabled on any section if the material used for that section contains a keyword. The list of keywords is saved in a data asset called **DA\_KeywordsForRemovingShadows**, so feel free to add new entries or check the list when naming materials.

For now, the list contains only the word **Lights**, since the mesh sections using the animated lights material are usually on top of other meshes, so it's not that noticeable if they don't cast shadows.

The idea is to disable shadow casting on any sections that aren't that relevant or would just cause issues, like very thin grid structures, to save draw calls where it's not that noticeable.

- Critical errors prevent submits

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## LEARNINGS

- 1. Create as much as possible procedurally
- 2. Ensure visibility
- 3. Detect and fix errors automatically
- 4. Don't let people submit critical errors
- 5. Use warnings for the remaining errors

## **LIMBIC IS HIRING**

#### Animator

Lead/Senior Artist

(Lead) Game/UI/UX/Level Designer

**Narrative Manager** 

**Console/Engine/Game/Graphics Programmer** 

**DevOps** 

**Student Internships** 





**THANK YOU** 



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