# Tristan Bellawala

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# **EXPERIENCE**

#### Narrative Contractor | Arrowhead Game Studios

April 2021 - present

- Assisted with writing, script preparation, world building, and dialog implementation for a next-gen AAA video game
- Supported the head of the narrative department and assisted the senior dialogue coordinator
- Provided admin support with Excel file management, notes, and line accuracy checks
- Responsible for creation of marketing/pitch decks for presentation to high-profile distributor

#### Film/TV Development Intern | Cake Studios

February 2021 - May 2021

- Supported executives Blake Reading and Carla Westlund
- Provided creative feedback and research with the team on an in-house TV series in development
- Wrote weekly script coverage on unproduced features and series, as well as on slated projects from the studio

### **Creative Development/Screenwriting Intern | Patriot Pictures**

June 2020 - August 2020

- Learned remote work software and online group collaboration during the initial pandemic stages
- Led market research on 30+ religious films to open new studio branch focused on the genre
- Wrote weekly script coverage while coordinating other miscellaneous admin tasks with the group

#### Screenwriting Assistant | Bettina Gilois

June 2019 - July 2020

- Assisted Emmy-nominated screenwriter during development of [NDA] Buddha Biopic series
- Researched and wrote extensive notes on two literary adaptation sources: Fortune's Children and Weird Scenes Inside the Canyon. Applied said research to the development of pitch decks and spec scripts.
- Wrote script coverage and regularly took notes on office calls with producers and writers.

## **EDUCATION**

#### Chapman University, Dodge College of Film and Media Arts, Orange, CA

May 2021

B.F.A. Screenwriting (summa cum laude) & B.A. Public Relations & Advertising (summa cum laude)

Head Writer – Chapman Primetime Television Club; coordinated weekly writers' room

**Victoria University of Wellington, Wellington, NZ (study abroad)** 

July - November 2019

#### **AWARDS**

- Top Three Finalist in Animation Category: Final Draft Big Break Competition 2021
- Finalist + Honorable Mention Award: Screencraft Animated Screenplay Competition
- OC Addy Awards 2020: 2 golds, 1 silver medal granted for National Student Advertising Committee Wienerschnitzel campaign
- OC Addy Awards 2021: 3 golds, 5 silver, 4 bronze and Student's Best of Show for National Student Advertising Committee Adobe campaign

# **CERTIFICATIONS / SKILLS**

**Skills:** Microsoft Office Suite, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, Final Draft, Google Suite, Gmail, Google Docs, Google Sheets, Google Meet, Shotgun, Jira