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DIGITAL GAMING CLUSTER HIGHLIGHTS

24 **studios (7 large, 17 indie)**
- New indie studios: Rushdown Studios, Aestronauts, Superset Interactive, RnD's Nuts, Eco Resilience Global Games Group, (Just) Jordan

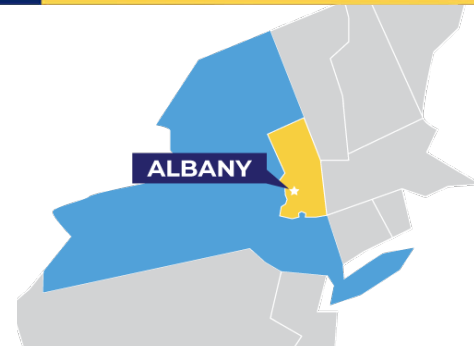**513** **workers**
- Large studio employment up 5.5% Y/Y to 460

352 **students in game design & development programs**
- 7th best undergrad game design program – RPI GSAS (US News & World Report)

346 **students playing in national collegiate esports leagues (ECAC, NACE, NECC)**

Home of industry's 1st billion-dollar title – Guitar Hero III: Legends of Rock
- Velan Studios' Knockout City was nominated Online Game of the Year at DICE Awards
- Diablo II: Resurrection by Blizzard's Albany studio achieved the highest recorded first-week sales of any remaster from Activision Blizzard
- PUBG MadGlory supported PUBG's release of a Free to Play (F2P) game
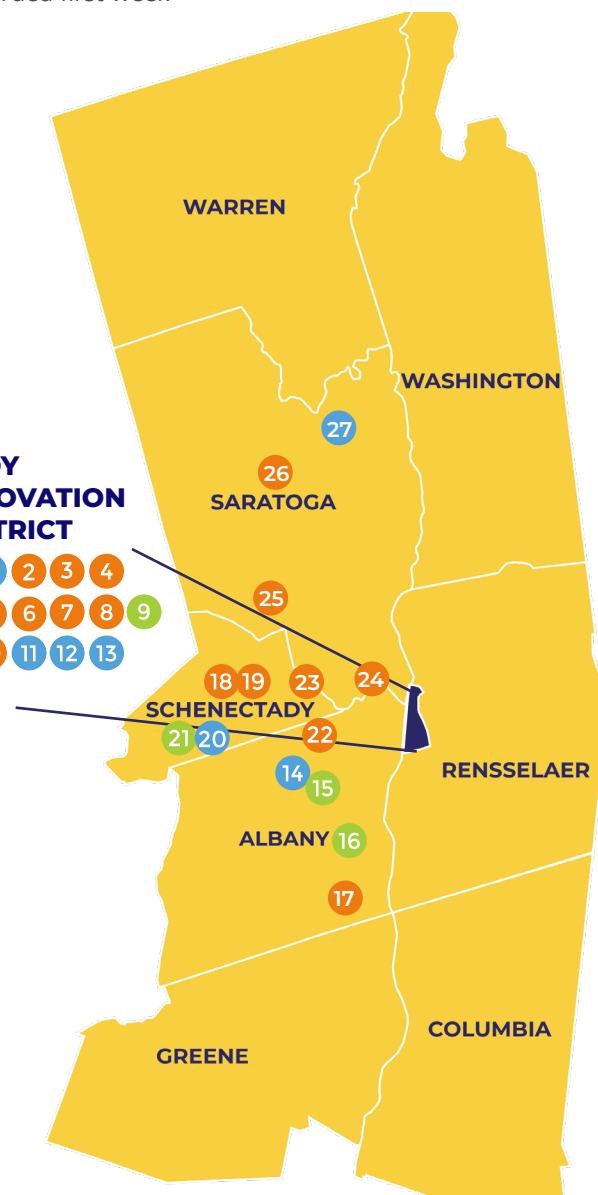
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COME CREATE IN THE CAPITAL REGION

Knockout City by Velan Studios

1. **1st Playable Productions**
2. **Aestronauts**
3. **Clockworks Games**
4. **Dang! Studios**
5. **Eco Resilience Global Games Group**
6. **(Just) Jordan**
7. **Network Next**
8. **Queenship Game Studio**
9. **Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute**
10. **Superset Interactive**
11. **Velan Studios**
12. **WB Games NY**
13. **Wolfjaw Studios**

14. **Blizzard Entertainment**
15. **Capital Region BOCES**
16. **University at Albany**
17. **Askiisoft**
18. **Catapult Games**
19. **CAGE Studios**
20. **Jahnel Group**
21. **SUNY Schenectady**
22. **ToothPike Games**
23. **Trojan Duck Games**
24. **Nonage**
25. **Crescent Moon Games**
26. **Rushdown Studios**
27. **PUBG MadGlory**

TROY INNOVATION DISTRICT

WARREN

WASHINGTON

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COLUMBIA

KEY: ● Large Studios ● Independent Studios ● GameDev Ed

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Diablo II: Resurrected by Blizzard

TALENT PIPELINE

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Games and Simulation Arts and Sciences (GSAS)
- 7th Best Undergraduate Game Design Program: U.S. News & Word Report
- Critical Game Design M.S. program graduated 1st cohort in 2021

University at Albany
- Informatics Concentration in Game Design and Development, B.S. launched in 2021
- Game Design and Development minor planned for 2022 or 2023

SUNY Schenectady
- Programming for Game Design A.S.

Capital Region BOCES
- Game Design & Implementation 2-year sequence

Game Tech Innovate Hotspot
- 38 video game-related patents listing local inventors awarded since 2008
- 50% of patents awarded in last 3 years
- 1 in 10 Activision patents list local inventors
- Velan Studios received 1st patent in 2021

Gaming Community/Esports
HV Gamer Con
- Region's largest collegiate esports event with ECAC

Gaming Insomniacs League
- Hosts high school, collegiate and public esports tournaments

Gaming Community
- Tech Valley Game Space
- Independent Game Developers Association Albany
- RPI Tech Valley Digital Gaming Hub

Esports Teams
- ECAC: UAlbany, College of Saint Rose, RPI
- NACE: Russell Sage College
- NECC: Siena College
- SUNY League: UAlbany, SUNY Schenectady, SUNY ADK, HVCC, CG-CC

CLUSTER PROFILE

24 studios with 513 workers total

7 LARGE STUDIOS (≥12 employees) 460 total workers Increase of 5.5% Y/Y

17 INDEPENDENT STUDIOS (<12 employees, contractors, volunteers) 5 total workers

POPULAR GAMES BY CAPITAL REGION STUDIOS

Knockout City: Velan Studios
Mario Kart Live Home Circuit: Velan Studios
Player Unknown's Battlegrounds: PUBG MadGlory
Tony Hawk's Pro Skater 1+2: Blizzard
Diablo II: Resurrected: Blizzard
Cooking Mama: 1st Payable Productions
Memory Lane: 1st Playable Productions
Injustice 2: WB Games New York
Don't Look Down: Catapult Games
VRPD (Virtual Reality Police De-escalation): Catapult Games
BoomerangX: DANG! Studios
Katana ZERO: Askiisoft
Open Spaces: Queenship Games Studio
Algae Bloom Dynamics: Eco Resilience Games
Tempo: Aestronauts
PowerBots Retro: Nonage
Load Roll Die: ToothPike Games
CAGE Studios: Sherwood Extreme
Shakespeare or Die: Clockwork Games
Fight for Humanity: Gaming Insomniacs/Catapult Games
Super Upbeat: Trojan Duck Games

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