

Quantic Dream announces Spotlight by Quantic Dream - its new label dedicated to publishing video games created by independent studios - and its two forthcoming releases.



First presented at Gamescom 2022, **Under The Waves**, the underwater adventure game, is now Gold and will be released on PC and consoles on 29 August 2023.

Sand Door Studio has announced its very first video game, **Lysfanga: The Time Shift Warrior**, a single player hack'n'slash with a tactical twist that has already won several awards.

Both titles will be released soon under the new Spotlight by **Quantic Dream label**..

**Paris, France, June 8, 2023** – Quantic Dream is proud to announce today the creation of the Spotlight by Quantic Dream label, dedicated to publishing video games developed by independent studios.

Spotlight by Quantic Dream supports these studios from the early conceptual stages through to the international commercial release of their creations, providing tailored support and services at every key stage of development. Services include project financing and production support, artistic and technical advice, and the sharing of Quantic Dream teams' expertise in user testing, quality assurance and localisation. Quantic Dream is also making its technical infrastructure available, including its motion capture and performance studio, its photogrammetry rig

and its Dolby Atmos-certified sound studio. Finally, the publishing teams handle all aspects of communication, marketing and worldwide distribution of their titles.

Quantic Dream provides these independent studios with the human and technical resources they need to concentrate on producing the best possible version of the game they are developing.

«Quantic Dream is a video game development studio that has been making its own games for 26 years. Having gone through the process of producing and publishing titles many times, we know the many challenges a studio will inevitably face and how to overcome them to make a good game,» says Guillaume de Fondaumière, CEO of Quantic Dream and Head of Publishing. «Spotlight by Quantic Dream is our way of highlighting the independent studios we believe in and of supporting their passion for their projects with all the expertise and resources of our own development studio and experienced editorial team. This label is also a guarantee of quality for gamers and the community that has supported us for many years: it tells them that we have carefully selected these games and supported the team that created them.»

Following the 2021 release of Sea of Solitude: The Director's Cut, developed by German studio Jo-Mei, Spotlight by Quantic Dream will be publishing two new titles in the coming months: Under The Waves, developed by Parallel Studio, and Lysfanga: The Time Shift Warrior, developed by Sand Door Studio, both based in France. Other projects in the pipeline include Dustborn, currently under development by Norwegian studio Red Thread Games.

# **UNDER THE WAVES**



#### TRAILER :

*Under The Waves* is a narrative adventure game about the engulfing power of grief and humanity's impact on nature. The game incorporates awareness-raising messages from Surfrider Foundation Europe to support the game's ecological aims.

From the talented team at Parallel Studio, *Under The Waves* reveals its release date in a new trailer unveiled at Summer Game Fest 2023. Scheduled for release on August 29, 2023, on PC, Xbox Series S/X, and PlayStation 5, Under The Waves follows the journey of Stan, a professional diver operating in the depths of the North Sea. Isolated underwater, he starts to experience strange events that will make him question his sanity.

«Under The Waves is a project I've had in mind since I was a teenager, based on a prototype for a 2D submarine game that involved cleaning up ocean pollution. That idea served as the basis, but it was really our work and inspiration

as a team that made the game what it is today,» explains Ronan Coiffec, CEO and Game Director of Parallel Studio. «I am proud to have been able to bring this adventure to life with the support of Spotlight by Quantic Dream. This collaboration has brought us creative proposals and technical solutions that go beyond just publishing our game.»

# LYSFANGA: THE TIME SHIFT WARRIOR



#### **TRAILER:**

Winner of the 2020 Grand Jury Prize at ISART Digital and Best Student Video Game at the 2021 Pégases Awards, *Lysfanga: The Time Shift Warrior* lets players rewind time to fight alongside an army of clones of their past actions.

The first creation from Sand Door Studio, *Lysfanga: The Time Shift Warrior* is a single player hack'n'slash game with a tactical twist in development for PC, in which the player takes on the role of Imë, a powerful warrior who must save the New Kingdom.

«The game was born as a student project. One of our first challenges was to develop it into a complete and innovative experience, first through the creation of our studio, Sand Door, and then through our publishing partnership with Spotlight by Quantic Dream,» explains Studio Director Matthieu Schneider. «We're proud to have grown the studio and the ambition of the project. The collaboration with Spotlight by Quantic Dream has brought a lot of added value to Lysfanga: The Time Shift Warrior, through various creative exchanges and support throughout the production process. This collaboration is a real asset for the game, and we can't wait for gamers around the world to discover the New Kingdom!»

For more information about these and future Spotlight by Quantic Dream titles, visit <u>QuanticDream.com</u> and follow us <u>@Quantic\_Dream.</u>

## **ABOUT QUANTIC DREAM**

Quantic Dream is a video game creation studio founded in 1997 by David Cage, based in Paris, France and Montreal, Canada. The unique experiences offered by Heavy Rain<sup>™</sup>, Beyond: Two Souls<sup>™</sup> and Detroit: Become Human<sup>™</sup>, have touched millions of gamers around the world and won more than 250 international awards. They have greatly contributed to the recognition of interactive storytelling in video games.

Since 2019, Quantic Dream has been a publisher supporting videogame creation and independent creators offering singular and original visions. Spotlight by Quantic Dream studio brings them its expertise, its production resources, the necessary financing, and access to international markets and their audiences. In 2022, Quantic Dream embarked on a new stage in its growth by joining NetEase Games, the games division of NetEase, to develop its creative vision and accelerate the development of flagship titles that redefine the interactive experience for gamers around the world.

## **ABOUT PARALLEL STUDIO**

Parallel Studio is a French independent video game studio based in Paris, founded by Ronan Coiffec, Nicolas Bredin & Sébastien Renard, three video game industry veterans gathering more than 12 years of experience within the AAA video game industry. The studio is known for developing projects on PC, consoles, smartphones and Virtual/Augmented Reality, with the goal to craft strong immersive experiences, atmospheres and storytelling based on emotions. The studio previously worked on the award-winning indie game White Night, on Dark Days, pioneers of narrative horror games in virtual reality, and recently on EqqO, a poetic game with a multi-layered story.

Parallel Studio is now focusing on its most ambitious and creative project so far, a game which will benefit from a strong narrative aspect, bringing together an original setting and a highly cinematographic dimension.

# **ABOUT SAND DOOR STUDIO**

Sand Door Studio an independent French video game studio created in 2021 by graduate students of Isart Digital video game school. This small but mighty team is composed of 20+ people who started as a group of students and worked together on an end-of-study project, Lysfanga: The Time Shift Warrior (previously called Lysfangha). Introduced in 2021, their game received the Isart Grand Prix from the jury (composed of figures from Ubisoft, Gameloft, Dontnod, and more) and was rewarded with the Best Student Project Award at French video game event Les Pégases in 2022, leading to the creation of Sand Door Studio with the help of Fabloo Games.

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