



Ian Verchere graduated with honours from Emily Carr in 1989. Along with 75 other alumni from the history of Emily Carr and the Vancouver School of Art, he was a recipient of the inaugural Emily Award for distinguished alumni. Since graduating, Ian has been making video and mobile games, including the multi-million selling *SSX Tricky* and *NBA Street V2*. As Chief Creative and co-founder of 80-person [Roadhouse Interactive](#), Ian is leading the creative development of several tablet and smartphone titles, including Europe's #1 racing and sports game on iOS, *FRS Ski Cross*.

A former pro skier, Ian has coached and competed nationally and internationally in ski racing and mountain biking, and spent a good portion of his 4th year coaching in Japan. Certainly, the ubiquity of pop and electronic culture in Japan was an influence on Ian's practice and ultimate career choice. He co-wrote *Mom's Cookies*, a screenplay with Douglas Coupland that was bought by Disney, and is a member of the WGAw. In 2006, his first book, *VON 1B0: General Delivery, Whistler BC* was published by Douglas & McIntyre. Ian is married to Germaine Koh, and they reside in Vancouver.