

African game developers can enter \$200k Microsoft challenge

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African game developers have been invited to enter Microsoft's Dream.Build.Play challenge, which is giving away \$200,000 in prize money across four categories.



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The Dream.Build.Play challenge is asking game makers to maximise their creativity and create experiences that engage gamers from across the world.

The competition is open to all creators, working solo or in teams of up to seven, with total prize money of \$200,000 available to winning developers.

In the cloud-powered game category, the grand prize is \$100,000, with developers challenged to build a game that uses Azure Cloud Services on the backend. Judges will give the highest scores to games that use multiple services in creative ways.



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The winner of the PC game category will walk away with \$50,000, with Microsoft asking developers to create a Windows 10 game using whatever technology they prefer. In the mixed reality game category, \$50,000 is available to the creator of the best immersive mixed reality experience that lets players interact with 3D volumetric content in a virtual space.

Meanwhile, in the console game category, US\$25,000 is on offer to developers who can build a UWP game for the Xbox One console family and incorporate the Xbox Live Creators Programme with at least Xbox Live presence. Extra consideration will be given to games that incorporate Xbox Live services like leaderboards and statistics.

Interested participants can register here, with the game submission period ending on 31 December 2017. The winners will be announced in March 2018.

For more, go to [Dream.Build.Play challenge](#)

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