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Koizumi was the Script Writer for *The Legend of Zelda: Link's Awakening* (Game Boy), the Assistant Director for *Super Mario 64* (Nintendo 64), Director for *The Legend of Zelda: Ocarina of Time* (Nintendo 64), *Super Mario Sunshine* (Nintendo GameCube), *Donkey Kong: Jungle Beat* (Nintendo GameCube), and *Super Mario Galaxy* (Wii). He was also the Producer for *Flipnote Studio* (Nintendo DSi), *Super Mario Galaxy 2* (Wii), *Super Mario 3D Land* (Nintendo 3DS), and *Super Mario 3D World* (Wii U).

Koizumi is currently the General Producer for Nintendo Switch and is also working on *Super Mario Odyssey* (Nintendo Switch).