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SUMMARY

Young and passionate software engineer and UI designer with a track record of successful collaboration with diverse international and local teams, driving innovation and delivering exceptional solutions.

EDUCATION

Dunman High School Singapore, SG

A-Level Integrated Programme

01/2016-12/2021

H2 Computing, H2 Math, H2 Economics, H1 Physics, H1 General Paper, H1 PW

WORK EXPERIENCE

NOSSAFLEX Melbourne, AU & Fredericksburg, USA Chief iOS Frontend Developer

05/2020-Present

- Led the frontend development of NOSSAFLEX as the lead developer in an international team of developers from USA and Australia
- Collaborated closely with the lead designer to implement NOSSAFLEX's iOS frontend
- Consulted Apple Design Evangelist and leveraged the power of Apple's new SwiftUI framework
- Employed Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM) architecture and worked in close collaboration with senior tech lead from the USA, ensuring streamlined development and exceptional code quality

SAF Signals Cloud & Digital Office

Singapore, SG

11/2023-08/2024

Lead Software Engineer

- Worked alongside army regulars to create cross platform app that targets troopers deployed for overseas joint exercises
- Made us of skills in Figma, React Native alongside backend architecture such as Firebase and Flask
- Applied knowledge in Model-View-Controller (MVC) architecture an collaborated with senior officers to deploy app for troopers
- Efforts were recognised by Chief Signals Officer, other formations leaders and Chief of Army

Fundigo Co. Singapore, Singapore

Project Manager, Frontend Web Developer & Lead UI/UX Designer

06/2022-Present

- Effectively led and coordinated a small team of experienced international developers from the SEA region, ensuring quality code and efficient work
- Revamped the UI of Fundigo's cross-platform app by making use of Google's Material 3 design language to enhance user engagement and visual appeal
- Contributed significantly to the development of the merchant portal by employing Vue.JS and Tailwind CSS to create a feature rich, user-friendly interface
- Applied knowledge in Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM) architecture to create merchant portal in Vue.JS for client use

Starbloom Charlotte, USA

React Engineer

06/2024-Present

- Worked with Next.JS to create a next generation HR SaaS tool targeting corporations based out of North Carolina, USA
- Made use of Tailwind's brand new UI component set and integrated APIs from Xeno
- Worked closely with Project Manager to integrate Agile workflow into the development of the frontend application

Current Mobility Palo Alto, USA

iOS Engineer

10/2023-03/2024

- Collaborated with founder to aid in the design and development of iOS application
- Made use of SwiftUI and MapKit to create innovative solution for EV owners to charge their vehicles in the state of California
- Applied prior knowledge and experience of Model-View-ViewModel (MVVM) architecture and collaborated with senior tech lead to successfully deploy app for various stages of funding

Freelance Vue.JS Developer

USA 01/2023-Present

Web Developer

- Successfully developed and deployed various versions of my innovative Vue.JS Web OS template, catering to a diverse range of clients
- Clientele ranged from Los Angeles-based Photography Freelancer, Miami-based Music Production Company and Media Company in
- Custom functions and new windows were tailored to precisely fit client's unique requirements

PROJECT & INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

OMNIA - Singapore Armed Forces (6th Division)

Singapore, SG & Idaho, USA

Fullstack Web Developer 08/2023-10/2023

- Deployed a web app tailored to cater to the needs of approximately a thousand troopers participating in Exercise Forging Sabre 2023, conducted at Mountain Home, Idaho
- The web app boasted a diverse array of forms tailored for trooper usage, alongside advanced functionalities such as real-time tracking of vehicles and RFID login for users. It was implemented with Flask, MySQL, Vue.JS and TailwindCSS

FOSSASIA Singapore, SG

Frontend Web Developer

- Engaged in collaboration with developers from around Asia and contributed to FOSS project made in Vue.JS
- Applied the open-source project workflow, utilising Git for seamless version control and effective code management

ACHIEVEMENTS

Awarded

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Accepted

Apple Inc. WWDC Swift Student Challenge 2021

Cupertino, USA

06/2023-08/2023

03/2021

- Clinched prestigious Apple WWDC SSC award by submitting an innovative project that educated users on the fundamentals of web development through engaging HTML/CSS concept lessons
- Developed award-winning project by using SwiftUI and Swift Playgrounds, demonstrating technical prowess and creativity
- Showcased skills by competing with talented students from across the globe and ultimately received recognition from Apple for achievement

Winning project was an exploration of modern line art and generative artwork, combining programming concepts like recursion with art

Apple Inc. WWDC Swift Student Challenge 2022

Cupertino, USA

03/2022

- in Swift Playgrounds Project was once again awarded among global competitors due to creativity and technical showcase

Apple Entrepreneur Camp - Analog by NOSSAFLEX

Cupertino, USA

11/2023

Analog was accepted into Apple's Entrepreneur Camp 2023, an international programme designed to support developers providing access to Apple Engineers and Leaders to accelerate the growth of their app-driven business

Apple Design Awards 2024 - Analog by NOSSAFLEX

Cupertino, USA

03/2024

- Shortlisted by Apple South Asia Analog was shortlisted by Apple South Asia Developer Relations team and submitted to Apple Cupertino HQ for consideration in Apple's annual Design Award
- Apple's South Asia Developer Relations team praised Analog for its adherence to Apple's Human Interaction guidelines while adding a unique UI spin to the application's design

Soldier of the Year - for Contributions Towards the Army's Digitalisation Efforts

Singapore, SG

05/2024

Awarded Awarded NSF of the Year for going above and beyond by contributing to the OMNIA application that was used in Exercise Forging Sabre and also for founding Signals Cloud & Digital Office

SAF Innovation Award 2023 - OMNIA Application by Signals Cloud & Digital Office Awarded

Singapore, SG

12/2023

OMNIA web application was awarded SAF's Innovation Award in 2023, it successfully served its purpose as a management app for Exercise Forging Sabre held in Idaho, USA

LEADERSHIP & VOLUNTEER ROLES

iOS Conference SG & iOS Dev Scout

Singapore, SG & Cupertino, USA

04/2024-Present

- Event Organiser Volunteered as an organiser and speaker for iOS Conference SG, Singapore's biggest community of developers for Apple's software
- Helped organise and speak at the community's annual US event, held at Cupertino during Apple's WWDC week

Dunman High School Alumni

Singapore, SG

Technology Director

06/2023-Present

- Actively participated and volunteered in DHS Youth Alumni committee as a technology executive
- Led project to modernise the current DHS Alumni website by using Full Stack Vue.JS and Headless CMS

SKILLS

Web: Vue.JS, React, Flask, SQL, MongoDB, AWS, Firebase, Figma

Native App: Swift, Kotlin, SwiftUI, Swi

Cross-Platform App: JavaScript, Dart, React Native, Flutter

Others: Git, Python