Austin Bakaric

Full-Stack Web Developer

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Summary

Motivated, self-taught full-stack developer with a strong foundation in technical problem-solving, project planning, and client consultation. Completed The Odin Project's full-stack curriculum, building responsive, accessible web applications with modern technologies including **JavaScript**, **Ruby on Rails**, and **React**. Backed by over 10 years of professional experience translating client needs into tailored solutions in fast-paced, service-driven environments. Eager to bring technical expertise, creativity, and strong communication to a collaborative development team.

Skills

Languages & Frameworks:
- **JavaScript (ES6+)**
- **Ruby**
- **Rails**
- **React**
- **HTML/CSS**
- **Tailwind CSS**

Tools & Concepts:
- **REST APIs**
- **JWT & Devise**
- **Git/GitHub**
- **Async/await**
- **Jest (TDD)**
- **Netlify & Render**

Other: Client consultation & needs assessment (hair and software) Project planning & solution delivery, Responsive design & aesthetic awareness, Troubleshooting & problem-solving.

Projects

BanterBox – Real-Time Chat Application *(In Progress)*
React, Ruby on Rails, ActionCable, JWT, Tailwind CSS
- Designed and built a modular, responsive chat interface with secure image uploads
- Integrated real-time messaging with WebSockets and user status indicators
- Deployed frontend with Netlify and backend API with Render

Portfolio Website – Personal Developer Showcase
React, Vite, Tailwind CSS, Ruby on Rails API
- Built a responsive, accessible portfolio site to present projects and skills to prospective employers
- Integrated Rails API to dynamically serve project information
- Applied modern design principles, animations, and interactive UI features

WeatherNow – Live Weather Dashboard
JavaScript, HTML/CSS, OpenWeather API
- Developed a location-based weather app providing real-time API data
- Planned user experience flow and implemented graceful error handling
- Designed responsive layout using CSS Flexbox with accessibility considerations

Experience

Full-Stack Web Development / Self-Taught
2022 - Present / Salt Lake City, UT

Completed The Odin Project's full-stack Ruby on Rails and JavaScript curriculum, building real-world projects with modern technologies. Applied project planning, agile workflows, testing, and deployment processes from concept to launch.

Licensed Cosmetologist / 6th Avenue Salon
2022 - Present / Salt Lake City, UT

• Consult with clients to translate personal style goals into tailored solutions

• Plan and execute services with attention to detail and client satisfaction

• Maintain long-term client relationships through trust, clear communication, and consistent, high-quality results

Assistant Office Manager/ Gears Mining USA LLC
2020 - 2022 / Salt Lake City, UT

• Managed daily operations for mining equipment parts ordering and underground repair coordination

• Oversaw order processing, vendor communication, and inventory management to ensure timely fulfillment

• Collaborated with technicians to schedule repairs and support efficient workflow

• Assisted with administrative tasks, problem-solving, and ensuring customer satisfaction

Freelance & Independent Cosmetology Work
2020 - 2020 / Salt Lake City, UT

• Managed independent client scheduling, consultations, and services

• Delivered consistent, high-quality results with a focus on client expectations and satisfaction

• Adapted techniques to meet individual client needs, building long-term loyalty

Licensed Cosmetologist — Sport Clips
2018 - 2020 / Salt Lake City, UT

• Delivered personalized haircutting and grooming services in a high-volume setting

• Adapted to diverse client preferences while maintaining consistency and precision

• Developed loyal client base through reliable, results-driven service

Licensed Cosmetologist — Great Clips
2016 - 2018 / Salt Lake City, UT

• Provided haircutting and styling services in a fast-paced, client-focused environment

- Enhanced foundational technical and customer service skills

Education

- **The Odin Project** — Full-Stack JavaScript & Ruby on Rails Curriculum
- **Paul Mitchell The School — Cosmetology Program (Completed 2016)**
- **Licensed Cosmetologist, Utah — 2016**
- **Murray High School**, UT
  Diploma