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SUMMARY

After 13 years of owning and operating restaurants, I transitioned to software engineering. As a proactive problem solver with a talent for learning quickly, I enjoy tackling the complex challenges that tech has to offer. I strongly believe that honest and open communication is essential for resolving workplace issues. I have multiple years of experience in Ruby and JavaScript ecosystems, am fluent in English and Spanish, and thrive in dynamic, fast-paced environments. I seek a position with a diverse team that values collaboration and inclusivity, where I can both contribute and learn. Also, open to self-learning and targeted mentorship to expand my skills and confidently take on greater responsibilities.

LANGUAGES AND TECHNOLOGIES

• Languages and Frameworks:

JavaScript, Ruby, Node.js, HTML/CSS, SQL, Sinatra, MiniTest, Jekyll, Liquid, Flutter, Dart

• Technologies:

GitHub, PostgreSQL, Heroku, Sublime, VSCode

PROJECTS

• **Todo List**, [code on GitHub](#)

A tested **Heroku** application that allows users to create to-do lists. Created using **Ruby**, **Sinatra**, and **PostgreSQL**.

Tic-Tac-Toe Web Browser App, [link to game](#)

Browser based app created with **JavaScript**, **HTML** and **CSS**. Published through **GitHub** pages.

• **Tic Tac Toe game**, [code on GitHub](#)

Simple tic-tac-toe game for the command line created with **Ruby**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Mobile Developer, *Activo.today*

- A social app for thrill-seekers looking for local experiences.
- Help to brainstorm future ideas for new features
- Currently working on implementing new features such as creating an event form, and adding multiple filters for a more personalized experience as well as a calendar of events and sending notifications to users.

Feb 2023 – present
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Owner/Operator, *La Isla Cuisine Restaurants*

- Hired, trained, and managed multiple teams of employees while building the business from the ground up.
- Created an environment that focused on teamwork, leading by example, and mentorship while encouraging a sense of ownership for my employees.
- Learned to be proactive in solving day-to-day problems that arise in a dynamic environment.

Jan 2005 – Nov 2018
Seattle, Wa

Owner/Operator, *The Valley Cafe Restaurant*

- Transitioned into a technology-based system from an analog ticketing system
- Implemented a training system that taught existing employees to train new hires

Mar 2015 – Oct 2017
Ellensburg, Wa

EDUCATION

Launch School

• Rigorous mastery-based, multi-year, **full-stack software engineering** curriculum for **programming foundations**, **object oriented programming**, **networking** and **database foundations**.

2020 – 2023

Bachelors degree in Science, *University of Massachusetts*

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Amherst