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# Amber Wilkie

## Software Engineer

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[Technical Blog](#)

## TL;DR

Rapid full-stack software development for the web. Ruby and Javascript. CI/CD advocate. Independent, practical, and a strong leader.

## EXPERIENCE

### [Plugify](#), Amsterdam, Netherlands - Software Engineer

APRIL 2019 - PRESENT

**Tech stack:** Ruby on Rails, AngularJS, Docker, Gulp, Jenkins, AWS, Elastic Search.

- One of two engineers - responsible for every part of the tech stack from uptime monitoring to UX for a platform for booking 1900+ musicians.
- Champion continuous integration, better tooling for error tracking and best practices in code and architecture.

### [Studentvikarie](#), Gothenburg, Sweden - Tech Lead

MAY 2017 - APRIL 2019

**Tech stack:** Ruby on Rails, React, Redux, hybrid JSON / GraphQL API, Redis. AWS, Apple and Android push notification services, various external APIs.

- Ideation, architecture and development of four distinct front-ends with monolith back-end.
- High marks on an evaluation of a client-facing system directly led to a contract that doubled business.
- Responsible for the bulk of server and API maintenance; go-to person for bug reporting and resolving.
- Thorough testing and continuous integration. Responsible for writing tests for new features and share responsibility for testing throughout ecosystem.
- Major features frequently delivered within a few days. 1000+ PRs committed to master in 1.5 years.

### [Craft Academy](#), Gothenburg - Coach and Developer

OCT 2016 - MAY 2017

- Immediately upon graduation, began coaching preparatory course and first four weeks of coding bootcamp with focus on Ruby on Rails.

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## **Amber Wilkie Photography, Arlington, VA, USA - Owner**

SEPT 2009 - OCT 2015

- Wedding and portrait photographer; entrepreneur.
- Responsible for every aspect of the business: marketing, writing/blogging, accounting, contracts, customer service, website design and maintenance, editing and printing services, graphic design, website management.
- Over 200 events / clients, with [30+ 5-star reviews on Yelp.com](#) and annual gross profits over \$100,000/USD.

### **Additional Experience**

- American Maritime Officers, Washington, DC - Assistant Editor, 2008 - 2012
- Pan-American Development Foundation, Washington, DC - Program Assistant, 2007 - 2008

## **EDUCATION**

### **Craft Academy, Gothenburg**

AUG 2016 - OCT 2016

Programming bootcamp focusing on Ruby on Rails, AngularJS, Ionic and Agile principles.

### **Tulane University, New Orleans, LA, USA - Bachelor of Arts**

AUG 2002 - DEC 2006

Latin American Studies and Spanish double major. Biology minor.

## **OTHER**

### **Public Speaking**

"Pimp your React skills: Gatsby.js static site generator", React.js meetup, Nov. 2018

"Rails and GraphQL", Got.rb meetup, Sept. 2018

"Functional Programming in Ruby", Software Craftsmanship Göteborg, April 2017

"Rails is Awesome", Sigma Smart Women Society, Dec. 2016

### **Interests**

Avid reader. Big-time traveler. Blogger. Yogi. Ceramicist. Deeply interested in learning, challenges, tinkering.