

MIHAELA BESTRE

UI/UX DESIGNER, FORMER SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER AND TEAM LEAD

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EDUCATION

MAY 2010 - OCT 2014

De La Salle University Manila

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN
INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

MAY 2006 - MAR 2010

Manila Science High School

**HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA,
MARCH 2010**

SKILLS & TECHNOLOGIES

Team leadership • Strong communication • Coaching and mentoring • Problem-solving • Good eye in design

UI/UX design • Software design, planning, development and documentation • Web development

Figma, Adobe XD, React.js, Remix.run, Javascript, Typescript, Git, HTML5 & CSS3, Supabase, PostgreSQL/MySQL, Vercel/Jenkins

WORK HISTORY

UI/UX DESIGNER

Freelance Projects

Apr 2023 - Present

- Create initial wireframe sketch, sitemap, and user flows
- Design brand kit including logo, brand colors, brand fonts, mood board, and brand guidelines
- Update wireframes to low and high fidelity wireframes
- Continuous communication with the founders, illustrators, and developers regarding the progress of the project

Technologies • Figma, Canva, Google Docs, Notion

CAREER TRANSITION TO UI/UX DESIGNER

Feb 2023 - Present

- Taking an online course, creating sample projects, and building port folio

VACATION BREAK

Nov 2022 - Jan 2023

SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER | FULL-STACK

Watertight Inc. • Brooklyn, New York, U.S. • Full-time • Remote

<https://www.watertight.co/>

Feb 2022 - Oct 2022

- Designed and engineered a working MVP from scratch using Remix.run and Supabase
- Coordinated with the graphic designer and developed the mockups to life
- Continuous communication with the founders regarding the progress of the project
- Contributed ideas and opinions on new features and discussed with the founders
- Supervised and mentored the team when the company started growing

Technologies • Remix.run, React.js, Typescript, Tailwind CSS, Supabase, PostgreSQL, Vercel, Github, Adobe XD, Trello, Clickup

MENTAL HEALTH BREAK

Jul 2021 - Jan 2022

SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER | FRONTEND

SitePoint • Melbourne, Australia • Full-time • Remote

<https://www.sitepoint.com/>

Jun 2018 - Jun 2021

- Started as an employee in ZigZag Offshoring with SitePoint as client (Jun 2018 to Sep 2019)
- Got acquired to directly work for them as an individual contractor (Sep 2019 to Jun 2021)
- Designed and built fully working system modules including fixing bugs and issues
- Made sure project staging builds in Jenkins were always successful
- Reviewed, commented, and merged Github PRs of the team
- Analyzed, created, and estimated tasks to align with the manager and the team
- Created UI/UX designs for some modules using Figma
- Supervised and mentored junior frontend developers who have joined the team
- Explored new technologies to introduce to the project
- Openly communicated suggestions and issues to the management to help the company improve
- Was sent to Melbourne to meet the team and work with them for a week

Technologies • React.js, Gatsby.js, WordPress Development, SASS, Jenkins, Docker, Git, Figma, Trello, Clickup

LEAD SOFTWARE ENGINEER, SOFTWARE ENGINEER | FULL-STACK

Seer Technologies, Inc. • Taguig, Metro Manila, Philippines • Full-time

Oct 2016 - May 2018

- Started as a contractor in Yondu, Inc. deployed to the company (Oct 2016-April 2017); absorbed after 6 months (April 2017-May 2018)
- Started as a software engineer and eventually promoted to lead software engineer
- Planned, led and developed an internal project to help the company's resource management
- Planned and chaired development of two custom dev projects
- Reviewed, commented, and merged Gitlab MRs of the team
- In charged of the project timelines to align with the manager and the team
- Made sure project staging builds in Jenkins were always successful
- Built fully working system modules and fixed bugs in a big system integration project for a (confidential) Geothermal Energy Company client
- Openly communicated suggestions and issues to the management to help the company improve
- Work closely with project managers to make sure everything's on track

Technologies • React.js, Python, Express.js, SASS, Bulma CSS, Semantic UI, PostgreSQL, Jenkins, Docker, Git, Google Sheets for project timeline

SOFTWARE ENGINEER | FULL-STACK

Asiagate Networks, Inc. • Makati, Metro Manila, Philippines • Full-time

Dec 2014 - Aug 2016

- As a starting software engineer trying to figure out my speciality, I was an all-around web developer, web designer, systems analyst, and team lead
- Planned and chaired development of two (2) small systems
- Enhanced old user interfaces to a modern look and for a better user experience
- Assembled and analyzed system details by attending data gatherings and other meetings
- Analyzed, designed, and co-authored functional and technical documents
- Designed and built fully working system modules
- Openly communicated suggestions and issues to the management to help the company improve
- Work closely with project managers to make sure everything's on track
- Helped out in extra curricular activities, as a creative, such as planning parties, redesigning the office, editing photos and videos of company photoshoots

Technologies • Javascript, PHP, Codeigniter, HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, Materialize CSS, LESS, MySQL, SVN, MS Project

SYSTEM/BUSINESS ANALYST INTERN

ncuventure Partners Corporation • Makati, Metro Manila, Philippines • Internship

Apr 2014 - Aug 2014

Assisted in the development of Application Support, Maintenance, Enhancement and Development (ASMED) of NHMFC IT Systems and Network Management Project by:

- attending and documenting meetings
- creating website banners or any images required
- helping in front-end and some backend work
- testing the system
- writing technical documents

Technologies • Java, HTML, CSS, Photoshop, MS Office

INTERESTS

