

# John (Jonathan) Dust - Software Engineer

Self-taught, helpful, fun and detail oriented Software Engineer that has been programming for over 6 years combined. Loves to be helpful and work with people hands on. Is passionate about writing reusable, semantic and organized code. Creator of the iOS mobile game, *Virtually 8-bit!*

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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages:** Swift, TypeScript/JavaScript, Ruby.

**Technologies:** SpriteKit, UIKit, CloudKit, React, Ruby on Rails.

## TECHNICAL PROJECTS

### Virtually 8-bit! - [App Store](#) | [More Info](#)

Published iOS app/game that features a classic gameboy-like interface and allows users to play multiple 8-bit style games.

- Engineered in a way that separates the Console's(app's) 'hardware' and 'software' systems. That allows for better code management and feature growth. I also built it in a way that allows code to be reused in multiple different games.
- Currently holds 2 playable games inside of it(more on the way), Meteoroids and Bit-Breaker. Meteoroids is an arcade space shooter that features power-ups and player upgradable abilities. Bit-Breaker is a breakout style game with randomly generated levels.
- Features SpriteKit as the physics engine, UIKit for handling 'virtual-analog' button touch events as well as all of the app's UI layout, and CloudKit for persisting user data when connected online, otherwise stores data locally until it can be synced.

### My Coffee Table - [Github](#) | [Demo](#)

A single page web application that gives users a space (coffee table) to add, move around and customize elements such as: pictures, web-links, embedded content, text, notes and more.

- Coded the frontend in vanilla ES6 Javascript in an Object Oriented paradigm for clear and semantic code organization.
- Designed backend to be a REST API in Ruby on Rails with ActiveRecord responsible for persisting and querying data. Modeled that relational database with polymorphic associations to reduce code repetition and tested with rspec.

## EXPERIENCE

### iOS Software Engineer

Virtually.Coffee - Full Time

Knoxville, TN  
09/2021 - Present

- Designed, developed and published [Virtually 8-bit!](#) A full iOS game built in Swift, UIKit, SpriteKit and CloudKit.
- Worked with multiple different frameworks and technologies, both open source and from Apple, such as CocoaPods and the ones mentioned above.

### Lead Part-Time In-Home Tech Expert

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Knoxville, TN  
10/2020 - 01/2022

- Provided hands-on technical support and customer service to 40+ clients per month by delivering and setting up smartphones and troubleshooting technical issues. Consistently rated 5 stars across client experience, with special mention for helpfulness, friendliness and technical knowledge.

### Full Stack Software Engineer

Independent - Part Time

Remote  
08/2017 - 09/2021

- Developed both frontend and backend features for clients on a handful of web applications and projects.
- Programmed and used many technologies such as React, SQL and Ruby on Rails.
- Built 6 major public projects for my portfolio (including my website and project demo server). Most being Single Page Applications or Monolithic Web Apps. View & use them [here](#).

### iOS Engineer in Learning

Independent - Full Time

Knoxville, TN  
05/2016 - 07/2017

- Built a handful of smaller applications for iPhone, iPad and tvOS.
- Created and published the iOS game, [The 8-bit Master](#). Developed using Swift language, and designed all of the UI/UX, graphics, 8-bit artwork and music. It received a total of 5k+ app unit downloads with an average review rating of 4.5 stars overall.

## EDUCATION

Penn Foster - High School

Electives in Computer Programming/Information Technology, 4.0 GPA

Knoxville, TN  
2016