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# Summary

- Languages: JavaScript (CoffeeScript), Ruby, SQL, Python, Java, C, C++
- Frameworks: AngularJS, Backbone, Marionette, jQuery, Node, Rails, Express, Flask, Sass
- Tools/Services: Grunt, Gulp, Mocha, Heroku, Parse
- Interests: Board games, photography, rock climbing

## Experience

**500px** | Full Stack Developer | Backbone, Marionette, Ruby on Rails, ActiveRecord

Jan. - Apr. 2016

- Optimized the photo page to reduce API calls to the related photos endpoint by 80%
- Built several components of the new home feed and onboarding flow to increase engagement
- · Created new back-end components and APIs for Photos, Comments, and Quests
- Worked with other teams to improve metrics in the ETL pipeline and Google Analytics

TextNow | Web Developer | AngularJS, Backbone, Marionette, Node, Express

May – Dec. 2015

- Improved JS asset injection, speeding up load times by 25% and reducing file sizes by 40%
- Built a new landing page and a new payment process for checkout
- Architected and built a localization switcher
- Added a Mocha-based automated testing framework

# **Projects**

**lita-resistance** | Ruby

Jan. 2016

- Built a chatbot that selects roles (from Resistance) and assigns them to chat participants
- Wrote code in a modular fashion for expandability, with tests, and is available as a Gem

#### BarberShop Bookings | AngularJS, Sass, Parse

May - Sep. 2015

- · Built an admin panel using Angular directives and services, by following best practices
- Provides analytics and user/booking management using Parse as a data-store

**GlowStone** | AngularJS, Sass, Parse

May 2015

- A location-based information system for museums and public attractions
- Built a webapp in Angular, using services to communicate with the Parse API

Roomi | AngularJS, Sass, Meteor, MongoDB

Mar. 2015

- A communication and organizational hub for roommates
- Created a bill splitter that calculates and tracks roommates' balances to each other

MolarFast | AngularJS, Flask, Python

Nov. 2014

- Built a lightweight Flask API which calculates molar masses
- Wrote the front-end using Angular to handle data binding and AJAX calls

## **Initiatives**

#### **Tech Retreat** | Co-Founder

- Organized Canada's first annual high school hackathon, with over 150 participants
- Created the website and coordinated sponsorships and logistics

#### **TerribleHack** | Organizer

• A tri-annual hackathon at the University of Waterloo focused on comedy and useless hacks