## Diego Salazar

### VP Engineering at Kipu Systems

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## Summary

Experienced software developer specializing in web applications and web services.

Specialties: Backend development, API design, Service Oriented Architecture, large scale web services, server administration.

## Experience

#### Vice President of Engineering at Kipu Systems

September 2013 - Present (3 years 2 months)

Kipu Systems is a SAAS based medical software company specializing in EMR and lab integrations where I lead a team of software engineers and liaise with other departments and third parties. I am the goto senior engineer for programming help and questions for the team. I consult the CTO on software related challenges. I am a lead architect on software projects. I improve collaboration and planning by researching and applying appropriate tools and processes. I mentor junior engineers and conduct code reviews and pair programming sessions. I'm in charge of technical interviews and have a final say on hiring. I plan sprints, improve documentation and the onboarding process for new hires.

#### Highlights:

- Lead the growth of a team of 3 software engineers into a team of 20, meanwhile the company grew from dozens to hundreds of clinical facility clients.
- Instituted team policies and software tools for collaboration, communication, and remote work.
- Designed and built a high reliability asynchronous API architecture supporting millions of request per second
- Lead hiring, code reviews, and mentoring efforts

#### Senior Software Engineer at Octagon Commerce

October 2011 - August 2013 (1 year 11 months)

Architected a fault tolerant service oriented architecture framework. Lead internal software projects and pair programmed through feature development. Developed and maintained user facing features as well as internal apps. Was on standby for

emergency situations and successfully debugged and fixed live production code on multiple occasions. Improved and refactored legacy code and tests. Presented research projects to the team to evangelize state of the art techniques and paradigms.

#### Highlights:

- Designed and built a service oriented framework with asynchronous message passing and message delivery reliability.
- Tasked with frontend and backend engineering projects.

#### Founding Engineer at US Self Storage Locator

2010 - October 2011 (1 year)

Architected an application framework from the ground up. Lead development of a new business. Created platform for admins, site owners, and users to efficiently search for and rent self storage units. Lead marketing efforts and provided direction on all matters of development and marketing in a startup environment. Setup office network with Active Directory and installed computes, a server, and backups.

#### HIghlights:

- Designed and built a SAAS platform for self storage marketing, search, and booking.

#### Founding Engineer at Grey Robot, Inc.

January 2009 - March 2011 (2 years 3 months)

Started as a freelancer and then teamed up with my brother and a friend to develop apps for businesses. Provided website and web app development services to small businesses and professionals. Developed a customizable and themable open source CMS system for reuse in all web app projects. Mentored an intern through sales and client meetings. Executed marketing and sales responsibilities. Provided maintenance and support. Performed devops duties and automation.

#### Web Developer at Rumbum, LLC

September 2009 - June 2010 (10 months)

Backend/Frontend Web Development.

#### IT Technician at Port of Everglades

2007 - 2008 (1 year)

Developed a mobile app for tracking ingress and egress of truck drivers in the port yard as an improvement of a paper based workflow. Provided IT support for the administrative office in the port. Ran and installed ethernet cabling, solar powered WIFI access points in key location in the port yard, and troubleshooted computer and various device issues. Installed an asset management system and registered all office assets.

#### Systems Administrator at LTC Global

May 2006 - August 2007 (1 year 4 months)

Install and maintain office network and workstations. Provide IT support to staff.

#### IT Field Technician at Intechcenter

#### January 2005 - January 2006 (1 year 1 month)

Technical Support, Consulting, Network/Systems Administration, Network Planning and Implementation. Built PCs and servers. Managed office IT responsibilities for multiple private and commercial clients.

### Certifications

#### HTML/CSS, JS and SQL

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Languages

English (Native or bilingual proficiency)

**Spanish** (Native or bilingual proficiency)

## **Projects**

#### **Smoothie Recipe Application**

November 2013 to Present

Members: Diego Salazar, Katya Sarmiento

I started this project at the Rails Girls South Florida workshop as a way to learn a new programming language. This application is made with Ruby & Javascript.

The idea originally came from working at Tropical Smoothie Cafe. This application is to help new Tropical Smoothie employees learn and memorize the recipes through interactive levels. It is accessible to everyone right now, but in the future, when the actual recipes are added, it will be restricted to only Tropical Smoothie employees.

#### **Conways Game of Life**

September 2012 to Present

Members:Diego Salazar

HTML5 Canvas implementation of Conway's Game of Life - Cellular Automata

#### **Circle Waves**

February 2014 to Present

Members:Diego Salazar

Toy project to mess around with patterns.

#### **Color Adjuster Library**

April 2014 to Present

Members:Diego Salazar

Ruby gem for getting brighter or darker hex values for a color.

#### **Mac Dictionary Augmentor**

November 2015 to Present

Members:Diego Salazar

Augment your Mac's spell check dictionary with technical, medical, or a custom list of terms.

## Skills & Expertise

**Web Development** 

**Web Applications** 

Web Design

**Website Development** 

**SEO** 

E-commerce

**CSS** 

**HTML** 

**User Interface Design** 

**Ruby on Rails** 

**jQuery** 

**JavaScript** 

WordPress

**MySQL** 

**SQL** 

HTML5

**Web Services** 

**PHP** 

**Photoshop** 

HTML 5

**User Experience** 

Ruby

Front-end

**LAMP** 

**Email Marketing** 

**Web Analytics** 

**Python** 

CSS3

**CMS** 

**Interaction Design** 

**Service Oriented Architecture Design** 

**APIs** 

**Application Programming Interfaces** 

**Search Engine Optimization (SEO)** 

**Cascading Style Sheets (CSS)** 

### Education

#### **Palm Beach State College**

AA, Engineering, 2007 - 2010

#### **Interests**

- Web technologies

- AI and machine learning
- Learning new things
- Riding motorcycles
- Playing guitar and writing music
- Mountain biking

## Volunteer Experience

## Instructor at Wyncode

April 2016 - Present

Taught a class on building a web server with Ruby from scratch.

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"Diego was our Technical Support Technican who works well with his clients. He is very reliable and consistent."

- Claudette R. Graham, MBA, was Diego's client

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