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About

As a training and development leader turned full stack web developer, I'm constantly driven to learn more. I'm always looking for a solution to help someone out. I thrive in environments where collaboration and teamwork are valued and where I can contribute to the team's success. What's important to me is seeing an impact from my work and knowing my contributions were useful.

Skills

- Knowledgeable in Agile methodology
- Experience creating RESTful APIs
- Single page rendering
- Responsive page design

Languages

- HTML
- CSS
- Python
- JavaScript
- Ruby
- SQL

Technologies

- Node
- Rails
- Postgres
- Git
- Django
- React
- jQuery
- Webpack
- Bootstrap
- SQLite

Projects

Cryptocurrency Investment Tracker

Investors interested in cryptocurrency can use this app to track currencies and any investments they might have. Users can add currencies to their own personal tracker as well as view the top 50 currencies by market cap. The app pulls data from Coin Market Cap's API to show users information on each currency and calculates how much their current investment is worth. Authentication is handled by Auth0. The app was built using React and Bootstrap on the front end, Node and Express on the back end, Postgres as the database, and Webpack as a bundler.

Puppy Finder Adoption Application

Search for puppies up for adoption and save your favorites to a list. This application allows you to search the Pet Finder API for specific dog breeds up for adoption. Just select a breed in the dropdown menu, type in your zipcode, and hit enter! You can save puppies you're interested in by clicking the save button. Navigate to the favorites page and click on a puppy to add personal notes for each puppy along with a rating. Remember, all dogs are good dogs. I collaborated with three others while developing the site, then later refactored the code to fix several errors. This app was developed using React, Bootstrap, Node, Express, Webpack, and Postgres.

Discussion Forum

A forum where users can chat with each other on a wide range of topics. Anyone can create posts within one of the preset topics and comment on any post. Comments can be edited and deleted. This app was developed using React, Rails, Webpack, and Postgres.

Cave Escape Game

A game created using HTML, CSS, and jQuery. Players must navigate their way out of a cave by inputting commands to move from one area in the cave to another. Each area has its own unique text-based description that players have to keep track of without losing their sense of direction. The player can reset to the beginning of the game by clicking the retry button if they are stuck or finished and want to try again.

Experience

NOVEMBER 2017 – FEBRUARY 2018

Web Development Immersive / General Assembly

General Assembly's Web Development Immersive is a 12-week long training program dedicated to preparing students to think like engineers and approach problems creatively to build the next generation of web applications and digital products.

JUNE 2015 – NOVEMBER 2017

Research Assistant / Institute for Habits of Mind

As a research assistant my job encompassed many different responsibilities. This included reading documents and summarizing them for my boss, editing together a book from pamphlets, researching topics like Gamification and the Maker Movement, and designing a no-tech educational game meant to teach middle schoolers Greek mythology.

JUNE 2014 – AUGUST 2014

Barista/ Starbucks

My responsibilities as a barista included taking customers' orders, operating the cash register, making drinks, and cleaning up the store when necessary. Often, I worked as a closer which meant after the store closed I would make sure the store was clean and ready for the openers the next day to begin work.

JANUARY 2014 – APRIL 2014

Assistant/ Audrey International

Audrey International is a business that helps expats in Mexico acclimate to living in the country. I researched and wrote several small articles on how to do things like setting up internet access, importing cars and pets from the US, and paying taxes. I also helped with property management of several rental properties. This included welcoming new guests and coordinating the cleaners and maintenance.

Education

2017-2018

Certificate of Completion / General Assembly, New York

2009-2013

High School Graduate / Trevor Day School, New York
