Kenneth Zimny

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Frontend-focused web developer with a strong foundation in modern JavaScript frameworks, user interface design, and performance optimization. Proven experience building secure, scalable web applications using tools like React, Next.js, and AEM. Personal projects involving C++ and embedded systems reflect a growing interest in low-level programming and hardware integration. Currently exploring opportunities that bridge modern frontend development with embedded technologies while continuing to deliver best-in-class web experiences.

Experience

Frontend Developer - Critical Mass - September 2023 - Present, Chicago, IL

- Built secure, high-traffic web applications focused on enhancing business features and user experience.
- Leveraged React and Adobe Experience Manager (AEM) to develop dynamic, scalable websites while ensuring high-security standards.
- Winner of 2025 Critical Mass Global Hackathon for Al-integrated UX project

Associate Web Developer - Critical Mass - April 2022 - September 2023, Chicago, IL

<u>Frontend Developer / Owner</u> - Tractatus Design Studio – August 2021 – September 2022, Chicago, IL

- Coded and executed internally designed websites, including static sites and WordPress CMS solutions.
- Delivered exceptional consulting experiences for clients, fostering strong, positive relationships.

Frontend Developer - ArtVersion - February 2021 - August 2021, Lake Bluff, IL

Designed and developed responsive websites for a range of industries using WordPress.

Education

Bachelor's in Philosophy - Elmhurst University - Elmhurst, IL, 2016 - 3.73 GPA

- Graduated with Honors in Philosophy.
- Awarded the 2016 Clark Award for excellence in Philosophy.
- Minor: Business Administration

Skills

Web Development - React, NextJS, JavaScript, CSS, Tailwind, HTML, APIs, WordPress, SQL, Node.js, AEM, HTL, Storybook, Three.js

Embedded Systems & Electronics - C/C++, Python, Arduino, Raspberry Pi, G-code, Prototyping, 3D Printing, CAD (Fusion360)

AI - Enhancing Development Efficiency, Problem Solving, Architectural Solutions

<u>Certifications</u> - CompTIA Security+, AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner

<u>DevOps</u> - DynamoDB, Amplify, API Gateway, Lambda, Vercel, AWS, Dreamhost, Scalable Deployments

Tools - Git (GitHub, GitLab), Bitbucket, Jira, npm, yarn, Maven, CLI

<u>Optimization</u> - SEO, Accessibility, Site Optimization, QA & Testing, Debugging, Documentation

<u>Design</u> - Responsive Web Design, Figma, UI/UX Principles, Design Fundamentals

<u>Collaboration & Soft Skills</u> - Agile Methodologies, Team Collaboration, Strategic Planning, Developer Experience, Client Relationships, Critical Thinking, Professionalism