

# Katie Larson

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Full stack web developer guided by a passion for sharing user experience and knowledge. With experience in Ruby on Rails and JavaScript based programming (including React and Redux) as well as a background in art history, I became enamored with code's ability to build tools that address contemporary needs and expand human experience and potential. My strong skills in communication and problem solving promote teamwork and drive project development.

## TECHNICAL PROJECTS

Potluck Planner - [Github](#) | <https://potluckers.herokuapp.com>

Plan a potluck, invite friends, and claim a dish to bring in this concise social media app.

- + React-Redux client-side server with Rails API managing Postgres (production) /SQLite (development) database
- + JWT authentication using the Rails Knock gem
- + Reactstrap library for full Bootstrap 4 integration

Cold Open - [Github](#) | [Demo](#)

The smart way to track what's in your freezer and when it expires.

- + Built with Ruby on Rails and PostGres utilizing RESTFUL routes and MVC architecture
- + Constructed front-end with jQuery and an internal Rails API to handle the Notes resource
- + Integrated login and signup functionality with OmniAuth strategies for Facebook and Google

Spice Rack - [Github](#) | [Demo](#)

See in a glance what spices are in your pantry and what you can do with them.

- + Implemented with Sinatra and Ruby with an MVC structure and Postgres database
- + Created user authentication with the bcrypt gem to control user logins
- + Employed ActiveRecord to generate database tables and establish relationships between models

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Ruby on Rails, HTML, CSS, JavaScript (including ES6), React, Redux, SQL, PostGres

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Vin Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

Wine Specialist & Beer Buyer, June 2014 - August 2016

- + Assisted in the transition from a paper system of tracking fulfilled orders to a digital system
- + Curated domestic craft and import beer offerings by working with local and national distributors

Rosenthal Fine Art, Chicago, Illinois

Gallery Intern, October 2013 - May 2014

- + Created a gallery website with SquareSpace in order to maintain in-house control of its core online presence
- + Managed, updated, and edited gallery's Twitter and Facebook accounts to create a consistent cross-platform brand

Indiana University Art Museum, Bloomington, Indiana

Registrar's Assistant, August 2007 - May 2013

- + Updated records in the Argus database to reflect art objects' current conditions and locations in museum storage
- + Lead a complete inventory of the 500+ piece Burton Y. Berry Collection of Ancient Jewelry

## EDUCATION

Flatiron School - Online - March 2018

- + Full Stack Web Development: Ruby on Rails, JavaScript (React and Redux inclusive), HTML/CSS online program

Indiana University - Bloomington, Indiana

- + PhD ABD (All But Dissertation): History of Art - December 2016
- + MA: History of Art - August 2009

University of Minnesota, Morris - Morris, Minnesota - December 2005

- + BA: French & English Majors, Philosophy Minor