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SUMMARY

Self-taught designer and developer focused on website optimization with strong knowledge in WordPress, JavaScript, and Bootstrap. Result-oriented worker with extensive experience communicating with clients, vendors, and co-workers.

SKILLS

- **FRONT-END TECH:** HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, WordPress, TypeScript, EJS, React, Bootstrap, Tailwind, jQuery
- **TOOLS:** Git, GitHub, GitLab, Bitbucket, Postman, Insomnia, DevTools, Figma, Slack, cPanel, VS Code

PROJECTS

Custom WordPress Theme: Responsive theme based on the _s starter theme.

- Created child theme, custom templates, registered custom post types via the mu-plugins folder.
- Used functions.php to enqueue CSS/JS, add theme support for post formats, thumbnails, widgets, etc.
- Added Expires Headers and 301 redirects in .htaccess files, added and configured website on Cloudflare.
- **TECH:** WordPress, Vanilla JavaScript, CSS3, PHP, cPanel.

WriterAssist: Virtual keyboard that allows people with reduced fine motor skills to easily compose and copy emails.

- Virtual keyboard includes Enter, Tab, Caps, Shift, Delete, Backspace, and Left/Right arrow functionality.
- Mega menu and accordion for common alphabetical words and phrases open on click event.
- **TECH:** Vanilla JavaScript, TypeScript, Clipboard API.

EXPERIENCE

Fairmount Pet Service (2009-Present)

- Provided pet services for 200+ clients, hired 7 employees, communicated via email, phone, and text.
- Built website in 2009, converted it to WordPress in 2018, created custom WordPress theme in 2020.
- Site uses Cloudflare for caching, has 85 pages/posts employing custom CSS, optimized images, and on-page SEO.

Community Service (May 2023-Present)

- Finished a WordPress site for a [local non-profit](#), used Slack Huddles to teach owner WordPress and Elementor.
- Wrote the 301 redirect code for .htaccess file, improved Lighthouse performance by 25 points for [Gamer site](#).

Fiverr (2 gigs from July-Aug 2023)

- Finished building a block theme WordPress site, edited theme templates, created instructional doc for client.
- Converted 7 technical PDF tables into HTML table elements that required rowspan and colspan attributes.
- Built a WordPress.com site, created navigation menu, added custom HTML elements with inline styles.

GitHub Contributions

- Refactored CSS file for the Chrome extension [Markdown Preview](#).
- Pushed typo fixes to [freeCodecamp](#) and [MDN](#) repositories.

EDUCATION & COURSES

- **Udemy (subjects):** CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, React, Git, Web Design, PHP, WordPress Development.
- **freeCodeCamp:** Responsive Web Design, and JavaScript Algorithms & Data Structures certifications.
- **Other Courses:** Responsive Layouts (K. Powell), MERN Stack e-commerce (B. Traversy), UI/UX Design (G. Simon).
- **Drexel University:** Bachelor of Science in Operations Management.