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Experience

Freelance Frontend Developer

Feb 2020 - Present

Self Employed

- Delivered professional websites using HTML5, CSS3 (+ SCSS, BEM), JavaScript and React best practises
- Improved website performance by compressing, caching and lazy loading images and components
- Included SEO, responsive, multi-platform and hosting support, enabling their website to be used by any browser or device in the world

Computer Science Tutor

Jun 2017 – May 2023

Hybrid

- Supported 50+ students using Lua, Python, Java, JavaScript, HTML, CSS best practices
- Utilized debugging best practises using Google Chrome inspect element tooling
- Simplified difficult programming concepts including responsive website development, CSS layout, Promises, API requests and Java Swing and Python Tkinter GUI components

Projects

Personal ePortfolio | Website | GitHub

- ePortfolio made with HTML, CSS and JavaScript best practices
- Used BEM naming convention on CSS class names making them easier to read, understand and scale
- JS based animations and responsiveness
- · Implemented dark & white contrast
- Intergrated EmailJS service to send emails directly from the website

Lawncare Business Website (Live) | Website | GitHub (private)

- Designed, developed and hosted a website for a lawncare business
- Implemented a custom contact form for customer inquiries using Email.js backend-as-service
- Designed a custom carousel elements to showcase business services
- Incorporated effective call-to-action (CTA) buttons for easy navigation
- · Applied responsive design principles for optimal viewing on various devices

eCommerce Web App | Website | GitHub

- Designed a fully responsive Library E-com mock up web application using HTML, CSS, JavaScript and React.js framework
- Created custom API for fetching book properties
- Implemented Skeleton Loading as a visual placeholder for information while data is still loading
- Utilized Material-UI for a sleek and modern user interface

Twitter Clone | Website | GitHub

- Intergrated Twitter API via Twitter React Widgets library to mimic the functionality of the platform
- Implemented Firebase database for real-time data storage & retrieval
- Utilized Material-UI for a sleek and modern user interface
- Used React Flip Move library to tackle the common but arduous problem of animating a list of items when the list's order changes
- Deployed the application on Firebase hosting
- Built with React.js to ensure a smooth interactive user experience.

Search Engine | Website | GitHub

- Used Context API (Redux) for efficient state management
- Utilized Material UI for a visually appealing and user-friendly interface
- Implemented React Router for seamless navigation and URL handling
- Intergrated the Google Custom Search API to enable search functionality within the application
- Developed custom React hooks for optimised code reuse and enhanced developer experience

Gmail Clone | Website | GitHub

- Developed a Gmail clone using React.js, React-Router and Redux for efficient state management
- Intergrated Firebase as the backend, leveraging Firebase Authentication (Google) for secure user authentication.
- Implemented useState, useEffect and custom hooks to efficiently manage component-level state and improve code readability
- Utilized Material-UI for a sleek and modern user interface
- Created a seamless user experience by utilizing React Router for smooth navigation and URL handling
- Deployed the application on Firebase for easy accessibility and scalability

Hulu Clone | Website | GitHub

- Built a Hulu clone using React.js and Next.js to achieve server-side rendering for improved peformance and SEO
- Utilized Tailwind CSS for streamlined and responsive UI design across various devices
- Intergrated the Movie Database (TMDB) API to fetch and display movies using Axios
- Implemented Material UI pre-designed components and styling to achieve a modern and responsive UI

Education

Strukovna škola Đurđevac

Sep 2017 – Jun 2022

Programming major - Computer Science

C++ | Python | Java | JavaScript | HTML | CSS | MySQL | Firebase

Oracle Academy | Certificate

Sep 2020 - Jun 2021

Java Foundations

• Java | Object-oriented programming | Swing GUI | Design Patterns

Technical Skills

Languages: HTML5 | CSS3 (+ SCSS, TAILWIND, BEM) | JavaScript ES6+ | Typescript

Frameworks: React (+ hooks) | Next.js | Material-UI | Redux

Technology: NPM | Git | Yarn | React dev tools | Firebase v9 | GitHub