

# Ben Michel

Developer Advocate in Portland, Oregon.

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## Skills

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Developer Experience, Product Strategy, Community Development, Event Organization & Facilitation, Public Speaking, Teaching & Training, Blogging, Documentation, JavaScript, Node.js, Electron, React/Redux, HTML, CSS, & Open Source

## Experience

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Developer Advocate at [InVision](#)

April 2018 – Present

- Define the DevRel role at InVision, and establish their first DevRel team
- Design, manage, and [introduce](#) the Developer Experience (DX) for InVision's first Public APIs from the ground up (APIs, SDKs, and developer documentation)
- Advocate for essential Platform Developer tools, and maintain their DX
- Lead discovery with customers to design, develop, and enhance InVision's Public APIs
- Drive adoption of open source design-tool standards, and apply [inner source](#) best practices by scaffolding an Open Source Guild (cross-team project bootstrapping, release, and maintenance)
- Collaborate with [marketing](#) & [product](#) to better serve developers
- Establish DevRel's internal agency by collaborating across orgs
- Provide developer consultation & training for sales, marketing, business development & acquisitions, and other customer facing teams

Software Engineer at [ZHealth Documentation](#)

August 2015 - December 2017

- Delivered a state-of-the-art, cross-platform [desktop application](#) for cardiologists & integrated healthcare systems using Electron, React, and Redux
- Developed, tested, and maintained UI features & components for doctors to generate documentation, coding, and billing
- Implemented an SVG-rendered interactive map of the human body's venous & arterial systems
- Onboarded new team members
- Tools: JavaScript, Node.js, Electron, React, Redux, Babel, Webpack, Hapi, Bash, HTML, CSS,

## SVG

Creative Strategist / Experience Producer / Support Engineer at [&yet](#)

December 2013 - January 2015

- Designed, organized, and produced immersive MVC/JS app-building trainings
- Composed, curated, and performed educational music as training content for multi-faceted learning experiences
- Maintained product support for [talky.io](#) - a WebRTC-based video chat application
- Developed and executed marketing & experience directives as a member of the Marketing and Experience teams

## Additional Experience

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Music Producer at Ben Michel Music

October 2012 - Present

- Composed, performed, and produced [live](#) & [recorded](#) soundtracks for many conferences & LLCs
- Produced recorded music for web-based [story telling experiences](#) & [games](#)

## Education

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- Computer Science: Much of the coursework for a B.S. completed 2011-2014, Portland Community College (PSU Transfer Degree)
- A.S., General Studies - 2012, Portland Community College

## Volunteer Work

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[OpenJS Foundation](#): [Cross Project Council](#) regular member (January 2018 - Present)

[Node.js](#): [Commitee Committee](#) member, [Internationalization](#) champion (October 2017 - Present)

[Unicode Consortium](#): [OpenJS Foundation](#) liaison (June 2020 - Present)

[PDXNode](#): lead organizer (August 2016 - Present)

[Donut.js](#): co-organizer (January 2016 - April 2017)

[WebAudioPDX](#): founder (May 2017 - April 2018)