MARK GARDNER

Front-End and Full-Stack Developer

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Portfolio: markgatx.github.io/Portfolio-v2

Summary

Creative multi-hyphenate with a passion for learning. Looks at every challenge as a chance to improve and thrives on the feeling of accomplishment at the end of a project. Balances a drive for perfection with an easy-going and friendly personality to work well in teams. Technology and all media should be simple, effective, and sometimes a little surprising in order to keep people engaged.

Technical Skills

Technology: HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript ES6+, SQL, NoSQL

Libraries: Node.js, Express.js, Bootstrap, Handlebars, JQuery, React, Sequelize, Mongoose

Tools: GitHub, VS Code, NPM, Adobe Creative Suite, SQL Workbench, MongoDB Compass, Heroku

Projects Built

Garden²

Live site: https://garden2ed.herokuapp.com/

GitHub Repo: https://github.com/MarkGATX/Garden2

A full-stack web application to help home gardeners plan successful gardens with a comprehenive database of plants, care instructions, and garden layouts users can save to their accounts.

Role: Front-end design, branding logos and graphics creation

Tools: Bootstrap, JavasScript, CSS3, GoogleFonts, Photoshop, Illustrator, Node.js, Handlebars

Weather Dashboard

Live site: https://markgatx.github.io/Weather-Dashboard-Full-Stack-Bootcamp/

GitHub Repo: https://github.com/MarkGATX/Weather-Dashboard-Full-Stack-Bootcamp

Accurate weather forecasts for cities anywhere in the world using two weather APIs while storing past searches in a simple but powerful interface.

Role: Sole Developer

Tools: Bootstrap, JavasScript, CSS3, GoogleFonts, OpenWeather API, WeatherBit.io API

Word Guess Game

Live site: https://markgatx.github.io/The-Word-Guess-Game/

GitHub Repo: https://github.com/MarkGATX/The-Word-Guess-Game

A fun and challenging take on a simple word guess game. Added features are animations, tougher scoring rules, a keyboard rate limiter, and a API call at game end for dictionary definitions.

Role: Sole Developer

Tools: JavasScript, CSS3, GoogleFonts, Dictionary API

Relevant Experience

Local Government Solutions / Developer

2017 - 2018, AUSTIN

Assisted in customer and business transitions to LGS after HCSS was acquired. Developed proposals and outlines for new customer training and retention programs and developed a proposal for a revamped online brand presence and website.

The Weirdlings / Creator and Producer

2011 - 2020, AUSTIN

Guided growth of the channel and contributors to reach over 15,000 subscribers and 2.7 million lifetime views on YouTube. Engaged in the community and was elected to the Board of Directors of the International Academy of Web Televison where I was named Secretary. Created and maintained all social outlets and websites using Wordpress, Social Pilot, Tweetdeck and others. Implemented custom CSS to further customize pages and managed a team of creators to optimize videos for release.

Hill Country Software and Support / VP of Development

2008 - 2017, AUSTIN

Implemented a complete redesign and deployment of the web-based front end of a COBOL backend. Migrated the website to a Wordpress CMS and implemented systems to directly notify customers of updates to systems and important notes. Trained users and provided technical support as needed.

Education

University of Texas at Austin / Full-Stack Developer Certificate

University of Texas at Austin / Master in Sports Science and Nutrition

University of Texas at Austin / Bachelor of Arts in Plan II