SAMANTHA SIFANTUS

Software Engineer

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SKILLS

JavaScript / TypeScript

React / Next.js / Vue

Node.js / NPM

CSS / Tailwind

React Query / Apollo

Prisma / Feathers ORM

GraphQL / REST

MySQL / PostreSQL

Git

ROLES

Front-End Engineer

Full-Stack Engineer

Team Lead

Project Lead

UX Design

EDUCATION

2015

**New School University
Master of Arts**

Philosophy

New York, NY

2005

**New School University
Bachelor of Arts**

Philosophy, Critical Theory

New York, NY

EXPERIENCE

Spotter, Inc   **Dec 2023 - *present***

Senior Software Engineer, *Culver City, CA*

- Founding full-stack engineer on Studio, an AI-based SaaS application (React, Next.js) for YouTube creators
- Contributor to integration of chat-based agentic workflow as primary interface (LangChain, LangGraph)
- Core engineer and founding member of design system council and component library team and implementation, collaborating closely with Product team

Groundswell Giving   **Apr 2022 - Aug 2023**

Software Engineer, *El Segundo, CA*

- Lead front-end engineer on fintech philanthropy focused SaaS application (React, Next.js, Apollo GraphQL)
- Contributor to refactor of backend-for-frontend conversion from Golang into Typescript (Prisma ORM)
- Participated in web component library design and implementation, collaborating closely with Product team

Beyond Limits AI   **Jun 2020 - Mar 2022**

Senior Software Engineer, *Glendale, CA*

- Lead front-end engineer on multi-tenant industrial AI-based SaaS application (React, Feathers ORM)
- Lead contributor to company-wide component design system. Collaborated closely with UX design teams to translate brand bible into design system component library
- Implemented i18n internationalization, accessibility standards, formal coding standards, query templates

The Walt Disney Company   **Jan 2018 - Jun 2020**

Senior Software Engineer, *Burbank, CA*

- Primary engineer on Inside Disney, an organization-wide intranet HR software platform (React, PHP, MySQL) serving ~200,000 users
- Full-stack development, code review, quality assurance testing, and release management support
- Contributed to implementation of standardized build pipeline for applications, supported migration of all properties to AWS

Rachel Zoe, Inc

Technology Director, *West Hollywood, CA*   **Mar 2017 - Dec 2017**
Lead Software Engineer, *West Hollywood, CA*   **Mar 2015 - Mar 2017**

- Technical lead and head of contract and in-house engineering team, responsible for all properties, oversight and direction of application and infrastructure maintenance and enhancement
- Full-stack development, code review, release management, hiring, developer training/support, resource allocation, server infrastructure implementation, data migration management, and reporting
- Lead engineer on initial development and expansion of both retail and subscription websites and rebuild of high-traffic online magazine serving ~3 million unique monthly users

Dastrada Digital   **Apr 2014 - Mar 2015**

Lead Software Engineer, *Los Angeles, CA*

- Front and back-end web application development, Shopify development, 3rd party API integrations, digital strategy, application design, and information architecture

The Uprising Creative   **May 2012 - Apr 2014**

Web Developer, *Los Angeles, CA*

- Lead engineer on numerous high profile, high traffic websites for clients including Justin Timberlake, Dave Matthews Band, Eric Church, Sara Bareilles, Alicia Keys, Luke Bryant, Jason Mraz, and Nicholas Sparks
- Front-end and full-stack development of interactive campaigns, websites, proprietary plugins, 3rd party API integrations, community platform integration, mobile and web apps