SPENCER THOMPSON

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Profile

I am a front-end developer with a background in acting and improv. I collaborate well with others, adding levity and humour to any project. My experience in technical sales allows me to interact with clients with ease. In my free time I'm an avid cyclist and chess enthusiast.

Education

Bachelor of Engineering, Mechanical **McGill University** 2012

- Minor concentration in drama and theatre
- Completed two graduate-level robotics classes
- Installed and programmed machine vision system for robotic arm in NSERC program (2011)

Juno College, 2021

 Front-end development with a strong background in HTML, CSS, JS and React

Performance Education

Second City Training Centre, 2012 to 2015

- Improv Program (levels A-E)
- Longform Conservatory
- Improv Conservatory
- On-Camera Audition Technique Class

Social Capital Theatre Improv Program, Repertory Training Program, 2014

George Brown College, Acting for Media Intensive, 2018

Melissa Altro voice workshop, 2015

Languages

English, intermediate French

Sales Experience

Keyence, Toronto, Canada, Sales Executive, 2012 to 2015

- Responsible for sales and support of machine vision systems and laser markers in Eastern Ontario
- Managed comprehensive multi-phase sales process including cold calling, product demonstration, installation, programming, training and post-sale support
- Met with customers to design and implement solutions for specific application needs
- · Oversaw 250% sales growth in first full year

Management Experience

The Assembly Improv Inc - 2017 to present

- · Co-founder and General Manager
- Teach improv classes
- · Coach teams in rehearsal
- Produce weekly improv shows

Performance Experience

Acted in six productions at McGill University (all extra-curricular). Appeared in several commercials (Boston Pizza, TSN, Canada Beef) as well as principal acting roles on four TV shows. Regular improviser and sketch comedy performer in Toronto. Cast member with touring improv team *Orson Whales*. Co-creator and co-host of podcast *Chew on That*, 66 episodes and counting. Employed at Mysteriously Yours Dinner Theatre prior to pandemic.

Other Life Experiences

- Cathy Knowles Library volunteer; kid's programs, summer of 2010, Accra, Ghana
- Courier for UberEATS, 2016-present
- Member of Toronto Comedy Softball League, 2017-present
- Active on chess.com, peak ELO rating 1938 (98th percentile)

Projects

The Chess Profiler

 Uses the <u>chess.com</u> API to retrieve and display data about a user's profile and recent game statistics.