Alex Macon

Full Stack Web Developer

Web developer and software engineer with a background in journalism and digital communications. A problem solver and quick learner who thrives when taking on new challenges.

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Digital Editor

D Magazine

03/2021 - Present

Responsibilities and Achievements

- Write a <u>daily email newsletter</u> for thousands of subscribers and edit content for <u>dmagazine.com</u> using several content management systems, including WordPress and HubSpot.
- Work with a team of journalists, designers, sales representatives, and marketing professionals to develop new editorial products, like a <u>State Fair fried food tournament</u>.
- Use tools like Google Analytics and the ChartBeat dashboard to generate reports on website user activity.

Editor

Pace Communications

08/2018 - 03/2020

Responsibilities and Achievements

- Managed and assigned tasks to interns, junior employees, and dozens of freelance contractors.
- Wrote and edited articles for the award-winning Southwest:
 The Magazine, the in-flight magazine of Southwest Airlines.
- Worked with a team creating successful new marketing initiatives for clients like Sysco and Gold's Gym.

Online Managing EditorD Magazine

01/2015 - 08/2018

Responsibilities and Achievements

- Promoted several times while serving in a variety of digital communications roles for the award-winning D Magazine.
- Tripled web traffic to D Magazine's entertainment vertical.
- Worked with a team of journalists and web developers during a major redesign of dmagazine.com.

EDUCATION

Certification in Full Stack Web Development (graduating January 2022)

Southern Methodist University in Dallas

B.A. with concentrations in Journalism, Political Science, and AnthropologyThe University of North Texas in Denton

TECHNICAL SKILLS



PROJECTS

Exquisite Corpse

A full stack web app that invites users to play a collaborative poetry game

How It Works

- Allows users to register accounts, log in, and join a community
 of poets submitting and sharing their work. Inspired by a 100year-old literary game, it's part social network and part
 message board for aspiring writers.
- Requires user authentication and stores user input in a database created with MySQL. Other technologies used include Handlebars, Express.js, and Node.js; front-end built using technologies including Bootstrap and Animate.css.
- **GitHub Repo:** github.com/alexdmacon/exquisite-corpse || **Deployed:** exqu-game.herokuapp.com
- To play, sign in with email "raven214@hotmail.com" and password "password12345".

Task.mp4

A web app using third-party APIs and user input to generate a recommended activity and video

How It Works

- Users select a type of activity from a dropdown and are given a recommended "task" as well as a corresponding YouTube video showing "how to" do that task. Designed to help bored people on the internet be less bored.
- Using the Fetch API, retrieves data from third-party YouTube and "Bored" APIs. Other technologies used include JavaScript, JQuery, and Materialize CSS.
- GitHub Repository: github.com/alexdmacon/task-mp3 || Deployed: alexdmacon.github.io/task-mp3

INTERESTS & HOBBIES

Reading Biking Football (Go Cowboys)