

ASHTON MONZI

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

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ABOUT ME

I wanted to become a developer after getting hands-on experience during my time at a creative agency in Nashville, Tn. There, I found that I enjoyed bringing my creativity from graphic design into a more technical field. I loved the collaboration within the team of developers and the logical and creative steps to solving complex problems. I knew from that experience I wanted to change careers and be in a field that didn't shy away from the hows and whys but promoted continual learning and growth.

INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS

BARKBOOK - FRONT-END CAPSTONE

Barkbook helps find a playmate for your pet by allowing the user to search a specific neighborhood of Davidson County. The user can then connect with another user via direct message to set up a play date without leaving the house. Fido finds a mate that matches their size and energy and you meet new people.

- Full CRUD React application utilizing React hooks to manage state
- JSON server used as local database
- Styled with CSS3
- Cloudinary API used for image uploading



barkbook.app/login

use demo@barkbook.com for quick login

SKILLS

- Javascript
- React
- HTML
- CSS
- Bootstrap
- Python
- Django
- SQL
- Git/GitHub
- Scrum/Agile
- Illustrator CC
- Photoshop CC
- InDesign CC
- Illustration

TECHNICAL EDUCATION

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

Nashville Software School | APR 2021 - SEPT 2021

Intensive full-time 6-month software development Bootcamp anchoring learning with both individual and team-based projects. Tech Stack: Python/Django; React.js; JavaScript; HTML5; CSS3; SQL fundamentals.

- Utilized Git and Github for version control
- Simulated work-based learning environment
- Emphasis on team-based development in an agile workflow
- Applied knowledge of interpreting existing code

GROUP PROJECTS

TRUNCHEONS & FLAGONS

- Tools Used: Javascript, JSON, CSS, HTML
- Worked with a team of four to create a component-based game application using SCRUM framework
- Participated in pair programming to render leaderboard component, game data with fetch calls to local database on JSON server, and CSS styling of the application
- Took lead on database management and migrations
- Shared responsibility in project planning, SCRUM workflow, MVP integrity, and a constructive Retrospective
- Coordinated with the team to utilize GitHub as source-control for smooth integration of modular components
- Interactive site deployed on DigitalOcean



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EXPERIENCE

SENIOR GRAPHIC DESIGNER | PRODUCT DEVELOPER

The Clever Factory | APR 2020 - MAR 2021

Designed kids' games, activities, every day and seasonal products from initial concept sketches through to the final product and packaging. These products were for global distribution by major retailers such as Target, Walmart, Aldi, and more.

- Took lead on game board development with brainstorming, research, and concept sketches
- Illustrated and created logotypes for packaging
- Product & package concept & design
Concept Sketches, Illustrator CC, Photoshop CC
- Maintained a balanced workflow in a fast-paced environment
Organization, Multi-tasking, Flexibility
- Completed projects ahead of or by deadline
- Setting up files for prepress
InDesign CC, Illustrator CC

GRAPHIC DESIGNER

The Clever Factory | JUN 2018 - APR 2020

Designed kids' games, activities, every day and seasonal products from initial concept sketches through to the final product and packaging. These products were for global distribution by major retailers such as Target, Walmart, Aldi, and more.

- Designed kids' activities and stickers
Research, Critical Thinking, Brainstorming
- Illustrated and created logotypes for packaging
- Maintained a balanced workflow in a fast-paced environment
- Completed projects ahead of or by deadline
- Setting up files for prepress

EDUCATION

NASHVILLE SOFTWARE SCHOOL

Certificate of Software Development

BETHEL UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Science
Management and Organizational Development

FREELANCE GRAPHIC DESIGNER

Locomotion Creative | OCT 2017 - APR 2018

Provided support to designers and the web development team by developing designs and marketing assets. Acquired insight into the business of an advertising agency.

- Web design & front-end development
HTML5, CSS, PHP, WordPress CMS
- Social media content creation & analytics
- Designed brochures, newsletters, and apparel
- Provided support in photo retouching and mockups

LEAD GRAPHIC DESIGNER

Francis Communications, Inc. | Arena Imprints
AUG 2014 - OCT 2017

- Directed production art for all in-house screen printing projects with orders in excess of 2500 pieces
- Managed designers in absence of Director
- Increased production art output
Executed designs under budget
- Improved & managed final approval of on-press projects
- Initiated & organized team meetings to improve communication & collaboration amongst the art department
Trained designers in prepress setup
- Completed tasks within tight timelines;
Flexibility, Communication, Collaboration
- Packaged and preflight files for release to outside vendors, printers, & other media partners
- Designed vector & raster graphic elements & illustrations for apparel
Illustrator CC, Photoshop CC

ASSISTANT SHOP MANAGER | AUTOMATIC PRESS OPERATOR

Francis Communications, Inc. | Arena Imprints
MAY 2012 - SEPT 2014

- Managed, trained, and led 20 hourly associates
- Assisted with supervising all plant operations
- Checked all work in progress for detail and quality specifications
- Managed priority of orders and operating schedules as work requirements demanded
- Maintained a safe and clean work environment
- Maintained and operated complex 14 and 16 color automatic printing presses
- Ordered supplies for shop use