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Professional Summary

Full Stack Developer with a Graphic Design and Photography foundation. A graduate of the University of Kansas and the University of Missouri-KC. Proficient in programming languages like HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and able to design with different applications such as Illustrator, Photoshop, and InDesign. Successfully developed complex variable data solutions to streamline mass marketing needs using JavaScript. Efficiently managed over 30 eCommerce sites, developed and implemented new features while providing ongoing technical support. Collaborates well with a team of developers or designers and familiar with using source control systems such as GIT. My technical skills coupled with graphics help provide a unique approach to bettering UI and UX.

Skills

- JavaScript, jQuery, HTML, CSS, Node.js, Express, React, Apollo, Redux
- MongoDB, MySQL, Firebase, Media Queries, API, JSON, REST, AJAX, AXIOS, GraphQL
- GIT, Github, Heroku, Vue.js
- FusionPro, PitStop Pro, Adobe Acrobat, PhotoShop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premiere, XD, DreamWeave
- Microsoft Word, Excel, Visio, Powerpoint, Notepad, Visual Studio Code
- Command line Interface, computer science fundamentals
- Strong Communication (written/verbal), Detail Oriented, Organized, Prioritizer

Projects

De-ja Brew | Node.js, React.js, MongoDB, Materialize.css   **Full Stack Developer**
GitHub: https://b3nitajo.github.io/deja-brew/ | **Published**: https://deja-brew.herokuapp.com/
An interactive app bringing everything coffee to your fingertips.

- Created database of coffee recipes using MongoDB. Queries made to database update's DOM dynamically using React.js to manage component state.
- Integrated Yelp API to generate search results of local coffee shops to provide users with business hours of operation, address, and ratings.
- User authentication and login required and user profile management abilities
- Implemented with Node.js Express server.

Reading List | Node.js, React.js, MongoDB, Bootstrap.css   **Full Stack Developer**
GitHub: https://b3nitajo.github.io/google-bookSeach/ | **Published**: https://savensearch-books.herokuapp.com/
Web application for creating custom reading lists.

- Built MongoDB queries to find books stored in Google database by integrating Google Book API.
- Allow the user to save Google Book data to own database, or allow the user to create custom reading list entry. Allow the user to delete reading list records.
- Rendered components using React.js.

BJ Tattoo Haven | Handlebars.js, Node.js   **Backend Developer/QA Engineer**
GitHub: https://bjs-tattoo-haven.herokuapp.com/ | **Published**: https://bjs-tattoo-haven.herokuapp.com/
A service-based website template targeting businesses in need for a website capable of booking appointments.
- A website template designed for businesses needing portfolio and appointment booking capabilities.
- Developed backend strategy of incorporating Google Calendar API for real-time scheduling of client appointments.
- Performed QA and help determine feasible solutions for better UI and UX.

Professional Experience

Implementation Engineer – *DataSource*   **January 2014 - Present**
- Develop an in-depth understanding of client hierarchy and business rules to setup eCommerce sites for purchasing of marketing and stationery materials.
- Use JavaScript to develop complex variable data solutions to streamline branded marketing materials (print and digital).
- Train staff on best content management practices and new CMS features. Document technical processes and procedures.
- Analyze eCommerce solution's technical hassles and provide user-friendly solutions.
- Manipulate marketing assets for web, print, and video as needed.

Photographer – *Portrait Innovations*   **September 2017 to June 2018**
- Booked and Photographed individual and group appointments of all ages.
- Sold portrait packages and merchandise.

Public Affairs Specialist – *United States Army Reserves*   **May 2012 - May 2016**
- Leverage communication techniques to effectively tell Army's story by photo documenting Army activity.
- Research, prepare and disseminate news releases, articles, web-based material flyers and photographs.
- Arrange and conduct interviews with soldiers and civilians, publish news releases, feature articles, and editorials.

Education

Full Stack Web Development Certification - University of Kansas, Coding Bootcamp

B.A. in Studio Arts emphasis in Graphic Design - University of Missouri Kansas City

Completion of Public Affairs Officer Advanced Individual Training - United States Army

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Awards

- **Employee of the Year** – DataSource
- **Achievement Medal** – United States Army
- **National Defense Service Medal** – United States Army
- **Reserve Component Achievement Medal** – United States Army