

Bennett Adams

UI/UX Designer

Frontend Developer

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My name is Ben and I've been designing and developing on the web for over a decade now. Starting my career as a web designer kept me involved in the entire design and development process and gives me a complete understanding of what it takes to build a modern web or mobile app, from ideation to implementation. Now, as a UX Engineer I often still stay involved from start-to-finish, combining user-centered design principles with a passion for writing clean, accessible, semantic code. On any given day I could be doing a card sort exercise, prototyping in Sketch/Invision, or building out a new React component.

Skills

7+ years

Frontend Development

HTML, CSS & Sass, JS, React, Angular, Git, NPM

5+ years

UI/UX Design

User research, User flow diagrams, IA, Wireframes, Prototypes

7+ years

Visual Design

Logo Design, Branding, Graphic Design, Illustrations

Certifications

NN/g UX Basic Training

Aug. 2019

AWS Technical Professional Accreditation

Jan. 2019

AWS Business Professional Accreditation

Feb. 2019

Experience

JUL. 2017 - PRESENT

UX Engineer at Element 84

- Designing, prototyping, and ultimately helping build the UI for a React-powered search engine for Oceanographers.
- Complete rebuild and redesign of a website (and CMS) for a prominent Earth Science Data Center affiliated with NASA
- Designing and building the Angular UI for a prominent medical university's biobanking app.
- Redesign and implementation of element84.com using React/Gatsby frontend, WP-API for CMS, Design System for consistency and maintainability.

DEC. 2012 - JUL. 2017

UI/UX Designer at SPARGO, Inc.

Designed and helped to implement a standardized but customizable template used across the 80+ different clients that all required different branding for their Event Registration and Housing websites. On an average day I used Photoshop and/or code to create hi-fidelity mockups and prototypes to pitch to stakeholders. In addition to client work I also helped to re-brand the company from J. Spargo & Associates to SPARGO, including designing the logo, business cards, corporate style guide.

DEC. 2012 - PRESENT

Freelance Designer & Developer

Early in my career, especially when transitioning from a junior “Web Designer” to a UI/UX Designer, I tried to build a portfolio by finding work through friends and family and through sites like Upwork. Projects included...

- Designing UI screens for an on-demand services app in Sketch
- Designing and building a launch page and sign-up form for a new medical app.
- Re-designing and fixing bugs in an existing Wordpress site for a band

Education

Osborn Park High School

Advanced Degree

2000 - 2004

Radford University

B.S. in Information Systems & Sciences

2005 - 2009