

# Benjamin Polinsky

Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, and Wordpress Developer

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## EXPERIENCE

### **Mineraliety, Philadelphia** — *Lead Developer and Partner*

**MINERALIETY.COM**

NOVEMBER 2014 - PRESENT

Developed the front and backend of a custom Ruby on Rails marketplace specializing in minerals, rocks, and gems. Produced creative solutions for a startup on a tight budget, such as a custom newsletter system built around Amazon SES. Other features of the application include the ability to import product listings from eBay and Etsy and integration of Stripe Connect for payments.

### **The Village of Arts and Humanities, Philadelphia** — *Wordpress Developer*

**VILLAGEARTS.ORG**

JULY 2014 - PRESENT

Worked closely with nonprofit director and graphic designer to create a responsive, custom Wordpress theme that promotes the work The Village fosters with North Philadelphia's youth. Integrated Wordpress plugins, including Advanced Custom Fields Pro, with custom JavaScript to create a memorable experience for visitors.

### **J2 Design Partnership, Philadelphia** — *Freelance Wordpress Developer*

**KIMMEL.ORG**

FEBRUARY 2015 - MAY 2015

Collaborated with J2's developers, remotely and in-office, to implement a responsive, pixel-perfect website for billionaire Sidney Kimmel's nonprofit. The site was developed using the Bedrock Wordpress Framework and heavy use of the Advanced Custom Fields plugin.

## SKILLS

Ruby on Rails  
React  
JavaScript  
HTML / CSS  
E-Commerce  
API Design + Use  
Wordpress Development  
Responsive Design  
Adobe Creative Suite  
Amazon Web Services  
Version Control  
Automated Deployments  
SQL  
NGINX

## PROJECTS / OPEN SOURCE

**Art Vs. Art** - Finally determine which piece of stands victorious.

<http://artvsart.io>

**Bp\_custom\_fields** - Custom Fields for Rails

[https://github.com/benpolinsky/bp\\_custom\\_fields](https://github.com/benpolinsky/bp_custom_fields)

## LINKS

[github.com/benpolinsky](https://github.com/benpolinsky)

[benpolinsky.com](http://benpolinsky.com)

## **The Rotunda, Philadelphia — *Freelance Developer and Designer***

**THEROTUNDA.ORG**

MARCH 2011 - JANUARY 2014

Teamed with The Rotunda's director over several different iterations of the nonprofit's website. Initially an aging Wordpress project, the site was updated and then shifted to Ruby on Rails in order to present the organization with a cleaner, simpler backend experience. Presented mockup iterations to find a design that emphasizes The Rotunda's unique and diverse programming.

## **Philadelphia Slick, Philadelphia, PA — Freelance Developer and Designer**

**PHILADELPHIASLICK.COM**

JANUARY 2010 - PRESENT

Worked with Philly Slick, a live band, to create an online presence and store for their fans. Utilized the SoundManager 2 JavaScript Library and to provide consistent music across page changes, and both Stripe and PayPal for merchandise payments.

## **Weiss Sound, Los Angeles — Freelance Developer and Designer**

**WEISS-SOUND.COM**

JANUARY 2010 - PRESENT

Worked with Weiss Sound through a number of iterations of their company website. Brainstormed and improved the quality and consistency of business inquiries through the site's contact form. As the owner of Weiss Sound also writes and films tutorials for another website, the Ruby on Rails application features daily importing of blog articles from an external RSS feed.

## **EDUCATION**

### **Temple University, Philadelphia, PA — BA**

SEPT 2003 - MAY 2007

Bachelor of Arts in English and Urban Studies