Blake Bonham Davies - Front End Developer

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I am a dynamic and meticulous certified front-end developer, looking to further a career in software engineering. I am a firm believer in the mobile-first approach and utilize modern front-end technologies to bring ideas to life in the browser. With over 8 years of experience helping brands across the world develop their digital presence, I aim to ally my wealth of expertise and passion for innovation to a fast-paced and challenging position.

Professional Experience

OPERATIONS MANAGER & LEAD WEB DEVELOPER

BRUSH AND BUBBLES, LTD. | SEPTEMBER 2019-PRESENT

- Leading website development engineering large-scale website transition and using HTML and CSS to optimize e-commerce opportunities.
- Translating UX wireframes into code that will update the front-end and building reusable code for future application.
- Creating intuitive user interfaces using responsive HTML and CSS through the product development cycle.
- Co-ordinating and managing general digital and marketing strategies.

ACCOUNT & PRODUCT MANAGER

BRICKFISH SOCIAL LISTENING AND PUBLISHING | DECEMBER 2015-AUGUST 2017

- Supporting on website development for key clients and ensuring the technical implementation of UI/UX designs.
- Managing design teams and engineers in the development and maintenance of media software to enable clients to build, manage and monitor their digital engagements and ROI.
- Collaborating with back-end developers and web designers to improve usability.
- Project planning and execution throughout the product lifecycle gathering client requirements, defining the vision, and working across teams to meet client objectives.

Core Skills & Tools

| Html5 | CSS3 | JavaScript ES6 | React | jQuery | Styled Components | API Integration | Responsive Design | Testing & Debugging |
|-------------|-------------|-------------------|-------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| Wireframing | Prototyping | Hosting | SEO | Content Strategy | Copy Writing | UI/UX | Git/GitHub | Netlify |
| Bootstrap | NPM | InVision | Figma | Sketch | Adobe XD | VS Code | CodeSandBox | CMS |

Recent Solo Projects

DICTIONARY APP

JULY 2021 | REACT

Built in React, this responsive, accessible, and user-friendly web application helps users develop their knowledge of the English language through seamless functionality and in-depth definition, grammar, and image display.

WEATHER APP

MAY 2021 | VANILLA JAVASCRIPT

Built in Vanilla JavaScript, this simple, user-friendly web application integrates the **OpenWeather API** to allow users to receive real-time weather updates plus a 5-day forecast of their current location and over 200,000+ cities around the world.

Professional Certifications

SHECODES REACT

JUNE 2021 | SHECODES WORKSHOP

SHECODES RESPONSIVE WEB DEVELOPMENT

MAY 2021 | SHECODES WORKSHOP

SHECODES PLUS: FRONT END DEVELOPMENT

APRIL 2021 | SHECODES WORKSHOP

SHECODES BASICS

FEBRUARY 2021 | SHECODES WORKSHOP

Education

MASTER OF ART IN ART BUSINESS

2017-2019 | SOTHEBY'S INSTITUTE OF ART LONDON; UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

Received Dissertation Distinction and Director's Commendation

BACHELOR OF ART IN ECONOMICS, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND ASIAN STUDIES

2010-2014 | LAKE FOREST COLLEGE

 Semester Study of Rural Economics, Sino-American Relations, and Chinese Language at Peking University, Spring 2013

Volunteering

FUNDRAISER & PARTICIPANT

2019-2020 | SHELTER UK

Over the last two years, I have volunteered for Shelter UK's annual events (Sleep-Walk for Shelter 2019 & The
Big Walk 2020), fundraising on their behalf. I am an advocate for the organisation and their mission to end
homelessness and hunger in the UK, especially in the light of the global pandemic.

VISITOR RELATIONS VOLUNTEER

2016-2027 | ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO

• As a Visitor Relations Representative, I was directly responsible for enhancing visitor experience through education of on-site architectural history, permanent collections and rotating exhibitions. I helped visitors utilise their experience at the world-renowned museum by advising collections that best suited their time and interests.

Interests

ABOUT ME

- I enjoy learning foreign languages. I am fluent in Spanish and have studied Italian and Mandarin to an intermediate level.
- When I'm not pushing pixels, you can find me exploring galleries, wandering museums, photographing street art and watching foreign films.
- I am also a member of a local woman's football league and play tennis weekly.