

Theodore (Teddy) Widom

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SUMMARY I am a New York City based web developer. I love programming in Ruby, crunching data in SQL, and making businesses more efficient through technology. In my spare time I work on an open source Postgres caching library and contribute to exercism.io development.

LANGUAGES English (native), French (fluent), Mandarin Chinese (fluent)

TECH Ruby, Rails, TDD, Vim, Git, MySQL, PostgreSQL, JavaScript, jQuery, CoffeeScript, HTML, CSS, Ember.js, nginx, Linux server provisioning

PORTFOLIO See teddywidom.com

EXPERIENCE *Web Developer (English & Mandarin)* 2013 - Present
InTouch Manufacturing Services Ltd., Shenzhen, China

- Built and sold a Rails app to manage internal company data
- Wrote clean code 12 times cheaper and faster than our legacy system
- Saved employees 2,400 work-hours per month with the app's new efficiencies
- Reduced bug reports by a factor of 10 compared to legacy system

Account Manager (English & Mandarin) 2011 - 2013
InTouch Manufacturing Services Ltd., Shenzhen, China

- Managed tablet PC inspections in Chinese factories
- Sourced new Chinese suppliers for US importers
- Redesigned documents to auto-import data (saving 20 hours per week)
- Traveled to Chinese manufacturing sites to sell services (80% success)
- Hired and trained new account managers, oversaw 10 Chinese staff members
- Helped develop startup sister company in LEAN efficiency consulting

Bilingual Server (English & French) 2010 - 2011
Confusion Tapas du Monde, Montreal, Quebec

- Promoted to full server position after 3 months with restaurant

PUBLICATIONS *90 Day Rails*. A technical blog about Ruby on Rails. bluerogue251.wordpress.com
An American in Shenzhen. The New York Times Upfront. Spring Edition, 2012
Methodological Reflections on Typologies for Numerical Notations. Science in Context. V25, 2012 (with Prof. Dirk Schlimm, Department of Philosophy, McGill University)

COMMUNITY *Mentor and Translator (English & French)* 2011 - Present
AFS Intercultural Programs, Canada, USA, China

- Translated training materials and documents to facilitate student exchanges
- Spoke at orientations to prepare future exchange students
- Mentored French Canadian exchange students studying in the US and China

Saxophone Teacher (Mandarin) 2011 - 2014
Xinghe Fine Arts Center, Shenzhen, China

- Ran private saxophone course for 6 Chinese students aged 10 to 35
- Introduced fellow teachers to jazz theory fundamentals

EDUCATION *Bachelor of Arts*, Philosophy and Chinese Studies
McGill University, Montreal, QC, 2011
Dean's Honour List / 3.88 GPA