Matthew Seccafien

Berlin-based ~~designer~~ developer, builder of interfaces, usually for screens, sometimes command lines.

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Work Experience

Shopify

Staff Front-end Developer   2022 ⁓ Present
Hydrogen is an open-source TypeScript framework for building custom storefronts on the Shopify platform. I mainly work on the CLI, React components and underlying framework-level code and tooling.

Senior Resiliency Engineer   2020 ⁓ 2022
Resiliency was a cross-platform role at Shopify involving regular on-call shifts for Incident Response, while also building the first-class tooling and cultural best-practices required to encourage and maintain a healthy and resilient culture among developers. I relocated from Toronto to Berlin for this role and I'm still here.

Senior Front-end Developer   2019 ⁓ 2020
Front-end Developer   2017 ⁓ 2019
In my first roles at Shopify I was responsible for stewarding our opinionated approach to building web applications. This required expert-level understanding of the web platform and associated technologies (Node/React/Typescript/GraphQL/Apollo) while building the foundational tools that power the testing, development, build/deploy infrastructure and common application libraries that all other teams across the company depend on.

Cartogram Inc

Founder/Designer/Front-end developer   2010 ⁓ 2018
At its largest, Cartogram was a five person studio with an office on Queen St. W. in Toronto. However, we found more success later as a nomadic team of two. As my partner and I remained deliberately small we are able to give our work a level of focused personal involvement, which our clients appreciated and we truly enjoyed.

Education

MongoDb   M101JS: MongoDB for Node.js Developers   2014
Bachelor in Design   York/Sheridan Joint Program in Design   2005 ⁓ 2009

Recognition

Site Inspire	fondfolio.com, pawzzles.cat	2021
Awards (Site of the Day)	laurenwickware.com	2015
Typewolf (Site of the Day)	conciouslycoupling.com	2016
Applied Arts	Young Blood Digital Design Single	2013
RGD Ontario	Honey Design Award for Non-profit Communications	2008
	Somerset Graphics Award for Corporate Communication	2008

I like ⁓ Running long distances, Monospaced typefaces, Fuji bikes, Cats, Radiohead, Playing classical guitar, Sriracha!, Cafe racers, Brutalism, Camping/Over-architecting fire pits, Strong IPAs

I am not so into ⁓ Email Footers, Social Media, Voicemails, Mayo