CHRISTOPHER KSIAZAK
SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Summary

Hello! I'm Chris, a developer born and raised in El Paso, TX. I enjoy learning new technologies and applying that knowledge in designing and creating web applications.

I am proficient in HTML, CSS and Javascript including various technologies such as React, Redux, and Nodejs. In my last position as a Software Engineer at E-Dealer Direct, I served as part of the core engineering team working along side the CTO and VP of Engineering in developing our product. I produced prototypes, had discussions regarding the architecture, and built out not only the React views, but also the API using Ruby on Rails and Elasticsearch, both of which I learned on the fly. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 affecting the market, I was downsized as the company scaled back operations.

Currently, I attend Lambda School for Full Stack Web Development. I've worked with various, distributed teams of different skill sets (ranging from Data Science to UX design, as well as other developers) and planned through various projects.

Employment

E-Dealer Direct
El Paso, TX
Software Engineer
Mar. 2020 to Apr. 2020

I joined E-Dealer Direct as part of the core engineering team. I worked alongside the CTO and VP of Engineering in architecture discussion, code reviews, and product planning. In my time here, I planned and developed a new feature, from discussion, to creating a mockup/prototype using Figma, to development. I originally came on to take over the React and React Native applications, but I also worked on the back end API as needed using Ruby on Rails and Elasticsearch, both of which I learned on the spot.

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C3i Solutions
El Paso, TX
Project Coordinator
Mar. 2017 to Current

I joined C3i solutions in March of 2017, starting off as a support representative for our client Castlight Health. I was promptly promoted to Project Coordinator. From there, I assisted in developing our program from a support oriented role into a technical one. As we transitioned through several product launches, I assisted in knowledge base development, processing reporting checks via Salesforce and JIRA, and quantified that data to determine trends. At the moment, I assist in maintaining the client's relationship with Anthem by overseeing support incidents, analyzing flat files, and validating API requests.

Projects

MerchOS

MerchOS is a drag and drop store builder that allows you to create your own store and products without needing to keep anything in stock. We accomplish this by hooking into a drop shipping service so that the product you create is only made when someone orders it.

This product is still a work in progress, but I'm working with 4 other developers and a UI expert in developing this application. As of right now, I've created most of the back end using Nodejs/express, and a few pages using Nextjs and Redux. We're looking at a completion around the end of May.

SongSight

SongSight allows you to select from a list of songs, save that song, or return similar songs based on dance-ability, key, and other metrics. Here, I served as the Front End Architect and lead group discussions on planning the application layout and features. I worked with 3 other Front End Developers, our Back End Team, and the Data Science in completing this project. I used React, Router, and Redux.

Ksiazak.dev

Ksiazak.dev is my personal portfolio page. Version 2.0 is built using Gatsby, has full SEO, and is completely responsive. Stylized with JSS. Currently, the data is hard-coded, but in the future, I plan on connecting a headless CMS and querying it using GraphQL.

Optimal Airbnb Pricing API

For this project, I was the sole back end developer. Here, I created as server using Node, then used Knex (SQL query builder) to migrate and seed the database, and a combination of Heroku and PostgreSQL to host the server and database. It features JWT authentication and bcrypt for hashing passwords. I worked with both the Front End and Data Science teams to ensure the data is processed and parsed without issue. As I am experienced in React, I also assisted the front end team in debugging any issues with their application.

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Education

Lambda School   Apr. 2019 to Current

Skills

WEB DEVELOPMENT
HTML5
CSS (LESS/SASS)
Javascript
React
Redux
Node
SQL
Gatsby
Nextjs
PostgreSQL
Ruby on Rails
Elasticsearch
React Native
Knexjs

REPORTING, DOCUMENTATION, AND ANALYTICS
JIRA
Tableau
Confluence
Datadog
Salesforce
ExactTarget