

## PROFILE

A motivated and driven software developer with an interest in improving life through tech. Recently graduated from Makers Academy, I have a proven ability to write quality, test-driven code. I continue to develop my tech knowledge via working on personal projects, taking part in hackathons, going to tech meetups and attending industry conferences and webinars.

A self-driven and proactive person, accustomed to working in a variety of challenging and pressurised work environments including 8 years in the hospitality industry and 14 years in the publishing sector. I have embraced diverse experiences and perspectives and have a demonstrative ability to adapt, continually grow and develop whilst progressing in my career.

My career so far has required the ability to think flexibly and creatively, coupled with continual problem solving, analytical, logical and higher thinking. All skills which have been essential in my transition to coding.

## EXPERIENCE

### Makers Academy • Full Stack Software Developer bootcamp • April - August 2022

- Using agile principles for effective teamwork including daily standups, retros and kanban sprint planning
- Pair programming on a daily basis
- Getting feedback on process via code reviews with coaches/fellow students
- Understanding the fundamentals of object-oriented languages
- Ability to write clear, simple, test driven code
- Timeboxing tasks to ensure project deadlines achieved
- Interpreting project briefs, creating user stories, defining MVPs
- Using GitHub for version control when collaborating with team members
- Experience using IDEs and code editors (AWS Cloud9 and VS Code)
- Using a consistent debugging process to resolve issues
- Taking part in EQ workshops to ensure open and respectful communication
- Using slack to share knowledge, communicate and support fellow cohort

| Project  | Description  | Technologies  |
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| <b>Pair Up</b><br><a href="https://github.com/clarebudds/Pair-Up">https://github.com/clarebudds/Pair-Up</a>                      | A website to pair program with fellow coders. Final group project          | MongoDB, Express, React, JavaScript, Node.js, Cypress, Jest |
| <b>MakersBnB</b><br><a href="https://github.com/clarebudds/makers_bnb">https://github.com/clarebudds/makers_bnb</a>              | A website in the style of AirBnB where users can list and book properties  | Ruby, PostGreSQL, RSpec, HTML, CSS                          |
| <b>Fakebook</b><br><a href="https://github.com/clarebudds/the-fakebook">https://github.com/clarebudds/the-fakebook</a>           | Created a clone of facebook, learning how to navigate an existing codebase | JavaScript, Mongoose, Handlebars, React, HTML, CSS          |
| <b>Bank Tech Test</b><br><a href="https://github.com/clarebudds/bank_tech_test">https://github.com/clarebudds/bank_tech_test</a> | A bank simulator using OOP design and TDD skills                           | JavaScript, Node.js, Jest                                   |

### Scrimba • Front End Developer program • Jan - March 2022

- Completed course modules on JavaScript, React, UI design, HTML, CSS, Git

### Freelance web developer • Jan 2022 - current

- Maintain the ecommerce shopify site for local business Glow: [www.glowoflondon.com](http://www.glowoflondon.com)
- Design and implement regular email newsletters for the website

### Hilton London Met • Culinary Administrator • Mar 2019 - Dec 2021

Provided admin support to the executive chefs managing culinary operations at the hotel. My role included:

- **Operations**
  - Implementing a bespoke health & safety digital system, liaising with developers and product managers

- Managing payroll and invoice payments for the department
- Maintaining records for annual audits, HR and health & safety (resulting in the hotel getting upgraded to a maximum 5\* food hygiene rating)
- Onboarding new recruits - supporting them to help employee retention
- Achieving continual, positive feedback resulting in 'Employee of the Month' and 'Team of the Year' awards (voted for by all departments)

#### • **Communications**

- Taking part in daily briefings with the hotel's senior management team
- Helping lead Hiton's collaboration with the Down Syndrome organisation (spoke on BBC 6 O'Clock News to discuss the partnership)
- Contributing to the hotel's social channels. Shot and edited a video to promote the hotel's partnership with the Felix Project charity

#### • **Training**

- Training the team on software for payroll, invoicing, rotas, health & safety and food waste management
- Supporting team members with varying abilities to complete mandatory courses, ensuring that the department of 70 chefs had a 100% completion rate
- Creating guides to use as training resources
- Training as a mental health first aider to provide workplace support

### **Flower Budds • Co-owner • Jan 2018 - Dec 2018**

Co-established a local pop up shop - a small retail/food destination.

- Negotiated building work and contracts
- Established payment systems
- Created and implemented marketing campaigns

### **Various chef roles • London & Dublin • 2013 - 2018**

Retrained as a pastry chef. Key culinary positions included:

- Head Pastry Chef at Spring restaurant, run by Michelin starred chef Skye Gyngell
  - Managed and trained a team of 5 pastry chefs and frequent stagiaires
  - Maintained consistency and quality of the pastry section with meticulous attention to detail at all times
  - Menu and recipe creation
- Co-host at the London Cookery School teaching culinary skills to adults

### **John Brown Media & Wilmington Publishing • Production and Editorial positions • 1998 - 2012**

Worked in several production and editorial roles in two publishing companies. Highlights included:

- Co-managing the print/paper account of John Lewis catalogues (£2.7 million annual spend)
- Press passing magazines & catalogues at European printers to ensure quality
- Typesetting publications using desktop publishing software (Adobe InDesign, Photoshop & QuarkXpress)
- Editor of 4 finance directories for the European financial markets
- Detailed costing, forecasting and budget planning
- Taking part in rigorous audits and post production quality assessments
- Sustaining positive relationships with a range of stakeholders including John Lewis, Waitrose, Sky, RBS, Heals
- Managing priorities to ensure publications delivered on time
- Part of a team noted for its 'can-do' attitude, twice winning a highly contested 'Production Team of the Year' award (voted for by industry professionals)
- An initial 5 month temp position at John Brown led to a permanent 6 year tenure until career switch to chef

## **EDUCATION**

**Queen Mary, University of London:** BA Hons History (2:1)

**Westminster Kingsway College:** Advanced Diploma in Culinary Arts, Patisserie & Confectionery

**Westcliff High School for Girls:** 3 A-levels (inc Maths) and 9 GCSEs

## **INTERESTS**

**Tech Meetups:** Regular attendee of Codebar, CodeFirstGirls, SheCanCode, Women in Tech, Scrimba events

**Music:** Frequent gig & festival goer, occasional DJ, choir member (performing regular concerts)

**Hiking:** Enthusiast for walking in nature (completed 192 mile coast to coast walk in Autumn 2022)

**Volunteering:** Community volunteer participating in local projects including gardening, cultural events

**Archaeology & Ancestry:** Enjoy trips to the Thames foreshore to mudlark & researching family ancestors