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Full Stack Developer

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About me

- A **Full Stack Developer** who is backed by **6 – 7 years working experience** as a Senior UX/UI Designer in the tech industry. Previously worked at start-ups, smaller tech companies and government organisations in New Zealand. Learned software development in addition to exisiting design skills to create better software products that solve real-world problems, whilst built them in a robust way through test driven development and clean, formatted code.
- Currently working on a personal project (React app), that allows latin dancers to find relevant moves and support them in their learning, inspired by the challenges dance students face in their learning journey.
- Prioritises best practices and thrives on continuous learning, embracing new technologies to deliver valuable results.
- Finds fulfilment in tackling challenges, whether it is through programming or design.
- Passionate about web accessibility and design systems, and has experience working in both areas.
- Knows best practices around developing an understanding of user needs & behaviours.
- Cares about people & communities. Mentored graduates and students and enjoys volunteering in the tech industry.

Experience

Full Stack Developer (Student)   Mar – Jul 2024

Dev Academy Aotearoa - Wellington, NZ

Dev Academy is New Zealand's premier full immersion 17-week coding Bootcamp. Their intensive program helps students master the in-demand skills they need to accelerate their career.

- Practiced problem-solving through code, using a programmer's mindset.
- Immersed myself in learning new technologies and discovered how to leverage them effectively.
- Worked in pairs and teams using Agile methodologies, as well as solo programming.
- Often demonstrated product leadership in group projects to ensure user needs were being considered.
- Participated in soft skills training, which improved my way of learning, empathy, communication, and collaborating with others.
- *Projects: [Grow-grub](#), [Troll Toll Calculator](#)*

Product Designer   Jul 2022 – Dec 2023

Optimal Workshop - Wellington, NZ

At Optimal Workshop I worked in a cross-disciplinary team dedicated to enhancing customer retention and optimising onboarding experiences for it's subscription-based product, which is a suite of User Research and Information Architecture tools.

- Provided technical leadership in improving the company's design system.
- Used Git to conduct design reviews on features that were being worked on by the developers, enabling them to progress through the building process more efficiently.
- Designed the templates feature for UX Research and IA Studies, which allows users to start their research projects with guidance and best practices.
- Conducted thorough user research for the template feature to inform the project.
- Collaborating closely with marketing teams, product designers, software developers, UX research teams, product owners, and presenting to stakeholders and leadership teams.
- Promoted buy-in for new features and improved processes in the wider company.

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Qualifications

New Zealand Certificate (Level 6)   **Mar – Jul 2024**
Applied Software Development
Dev Academy Aotearoa

Bachelor of Design with   **2014 – 2017**
First Class Honours
Visual Communication
Massey University

Technical Proficiency

- HTML, CSS, JavaScript
- CSS Frameworks (Tailwind, Bulma)
- React, TypeScript
- Node.js, Express.js
- Git, npm & Skypack
- RESTfulAPI, Superagent
- SQLite3 (with Knex.js)
- Authentification (Auth0)
- Deployment (Dokku, Github Pages)
- Test Driven Development (Vitest(Jest), Supertest)
- Adobe Creative Cloud Suite
- Prototyping tools (Figma, Adobe XD)
- Atlassian JIRA & Confluence, Trello
- Planning tools (Miro, Figjam, Mural, DB Diagram)

Attributes

- Self-driven and confident in sharing ideas and opinions about problem-solving and product strategy.
- Adaptive: Enjoys working collaboratively in team-based projects and is familiar with Agile environments. Can also work well independently.
- Strong communication and presentation skills.
- Articulate, with the ability to express complex ideas in plain language to meet the needs of a variety of audiences.
- Familiar with hybrid and remote working environments.

Interests

- Latin dancing - Cuban Salsa, Bachata and Kizomba (incl. teaching classes & participating in performances)
- Reformer Pilates

Awards

New Zealand Best Awards   **Sep 2018**
Bronze
Student Interactive category
bestawards.co.nz

Side projects

Hackathons New Zealand   **Apr 2019 - Jan 2022**
Co-organiser
LinkedIn page

Expertise

- Full Stack Development
- Web Accessibility
- Cross-team collaboration
- Creative Problem solving
- Mentorship & Leadership
- Relationship Management
- UX/UI Design and User Research
- Design systems

Volunteering

UX Wellington
Casual Volunteer

Wellington ICT School
UX Mentor

Summer of Tech
Mentor

Massey University
Class Advocate,
Massey Guide

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Volunteer Staff

Nationality & Languages

Dual citizenship (with Australian work rights)
New Zealand & Germany

English Bilingual Native
German Bilingual Native