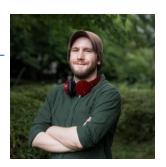# Christian Bound

Web Developer | Technical Support | Front-End Engineer
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Professional Summary

Detail-oriented Front-End Developer with experience in building responsive and interactive web applications. Proficient in React, Next.js, Redux, and testing with RSpec. Demonstrated ability to deliver user-centered designs and maintain scalable codebases. Strong communicator and problem-solver with a background in education and localization.

Technical Skills

Languages & Frameworks: **JavaScript, TypeScript, React, Redux, Next.js, Ruby on Rails, Node.js,**

Styling & Design: **HTML, CSS, SASS, Bootstrap, Tailwind, Figma**

Databases: **PostgreSQL, MongoDB**

Testing: **RSpec, React Testing Library, Playwright**

Tools: **Git/GitHub, Vercel, Algolia, REST APIs, Vercel, Netlify, Docker, Postman, VSCode, npm, yarn**

Professional Experience

Freelance Web Developer | Self-Employed — Tokyo, Japan (Jan 2023 – Present)

- Developed and deployed full-stack applications using Next.js, Vercel, and   MongoDB.
- Integrated Algolia search features to improve user experience across platforms.
- Improved client communication and project management, delivering projects on schedule.
- Built reusable components with Vite React tooling and enhanced test coverage using RSpec.
- Developed a full-featured blogging platform with user authentication, content management, commenting, and filtering.
- Built a GraphQL-based library application with real-time updates, user login, and advanced filtering using Apollo Client.

- Created interactive voting and leaderboard applications demonstrating dynamic UI updates and global state management.
- Implemented a productivity tool for managing tasks, featuring authentication, CRUD operations, and priority filtering.
- Developed secure authentication flows for full stack apps, including role-based access control and token expiration handling.

Localization Quality Assurance Tester | Mugen Creations — Tokyo, Japan (May 2023 – May 2024)

- Tested and localized mobile games for Western markets, ensuring quality in UI/UX, text, and functionality.
- Reported and documented bugs, collaborating with developers and translators for quick resolution.
- Enhanced cultural adaptation and usability through in-depth analysis of localized content.

Lead English Teacher | Beans International Preschool — Saitama, Japan (Apr 2016 – Apr 2022)

- Designed and implemented a bilingual curriculum for students aged 2–10 years.
- Led digital transformation during COVID-19 by delivering remote classes via Zoom and OBS.
- Utilized multimedia tools to enhance student engagement and learning outcomes.

Discovery Centre Assistant | Hampshire Libraries Service — Winchester, UK (Feb 2015 – Feb 2016)

- Provided front-line customer service in a busy public library setting, assisting patrons with catalog searches, account issues, and general inquiries.
- Offered one-on-one support for library technology, including troubleshooting self-checkout kiosks, managing print queues, and helping users navigate eBooks and online databases.
- Delivered basic tech training for patrons on public computers, tablets, and digital resources, enhancing community digital literacy.
- Catalogued and processed new library materials, maintaining accuracy in the library's database system and ensuring efficient availability to the public.
- Supported team members and participated in community events, fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment.

Education
Web Development Bootcamp | Le Wagon — Tokyo, Japan (Apr 2022 – Jun 2022)

- Completed 360+ hours of full-stack web development training.
- Built and deployed team-based applications using Ruby on Rails and JavaScript.

- Practiced pair programming, code reviews, and agile methodologies.

BA (Hons) Film Studies, First Class | Solent University — Southampton, UK (2006 – 2008)

- Studied media theory, storytelling, visual design, and cultural analysis
- Specialized in sound design and film writing.
- Completed dissertation on Japanese horror cinema and adaptation theory.

Certifications & Courses

- Full Stack Open (University of Helsinki) – Advanced React, GraphQL, CI/CD, and Testing.
- Testing Ruby with RSpec – Mastering unit, integration, and system tests in Ruby.
- Le Wagon Full-Stack Web Development – Core skills in web architecture and product design.

Languages

- English – Native
- Japanese – Conversational

Interests

Music production, video games, film writing, technical blogging, and UX-focused app development.