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SUMMARY

Front End Web Developer and Web Designer uses a creative approach that blends artistic and design talents with coding and development skills. Applies great people skills when collaborating with UX designers to create a visually appealing, yet functional design. Bridges the gap between graphical design and technical implementation with a feedback loop, good communication skills, and openness to new ideas and continuous learning. Creates an engaging and user friendly experience with polished, professional, and dynamic applications. A keen eye for details, creating pixel perfect responsive components.

Github: https://github.com/dobbe2/ |
Portfolio: https://dobbe2.github.io/portfolio-2023/

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Strengths in: CSS, Responsive Design, Quality Assurance, and Version Control
Languages / Frameworks: ReactJS, JavaScript, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Semantic HTML5, CSS3, Node.js, jQuery, Bootstrap
Databases: MongoDB, MySQL
Applications / Tools: Visual Studio Code, Storybook, WordPress, MySQL Workbench, Git, GitHub, Postman, Styled Components, Vector Graphics and Visual UI UX Design with Figma, Debugging Tools

EDUCATION

Web Development Bootcamp Certificate: University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Completed a 24-week intensive Full Stack Web Development program to develop programming skills in HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, ES6, jQuery, Bootstrap, Node, Express, MySQL, MongoDB, Handelbars.js & ReactJS.

Responsive Web Design Certificate: freeCodeCamp.org

Wordpress CMS Design Course: udemy.com

Figma UI UX Design Essentials: udemy.com

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Freelance Web Designer, Feb 2021 – Present
Woodinville, WA

Work with businesses to design and develop websites and branding/logos. Assist in developing creative content. Keep in constant contact with clients to make sure we are always working towards the same vision.

- Designed and created a company site for a Medical Professional (https://walk-easy.vercel.app) to replace a very slow and poorly designed WordPress site.
  - Used Next.js, Tailwind CSS, and Tailwind UI Components to feature services and products offered. Collaborated with a software engineer on the code reviews.
  - Implemented a variety of features based on stakeholder input.
  - Optimized design and assets for speed and ease of use for the client's target audience. Focused on responsive design.
- Built WordPress websites for a construction company (https://leebrannamconstruction.com) and a craft group (https://checkeredpastgals.com) to showcase projects and drive business with an elegant and modern responsive design.
  - Worked with the clients to define UX design requirements and created new brands for the businesses, including color scheme, logo, and branding verbiage. Conducted website performance tests and troubleshooting errors.

o Set up the domains, hosting, and website launches. Tools: HTML, CSS, WordPress

Front End Developer, Oct 2021 – April 2022
ZAP Protocol Contracted through Blockchain Center, Manhattan, NY

Remotely worked with developers and designers from around the world, contributing to the redesign of a large application containing an NFT marketplace, Oracles Price Feeds, and other Exchanges. Designed with mobile development as top priority. Project can be found at https://app.zap.org/nft (requires digital wallet to view all content).

- Used design tools such as Figma and Storybook to create reusable components for the entire application and to build and test all components. A sample of component images developed can be found at https://dobbe2.github.io/zapDesignWork .
- Worked alongside design team through handoffs and bridges. Collaborated daily with front-end and design teams to keep progress pushing forward and give and receive feedback on current tasks.
- Participated in design/development meetings to gain insight into the design progress and plan for future revisions. The app used React, Typescript, styled components, and Web3.
- Received and reviewed changes to the Design System and created tickets to assign to developers.
- Converted app from a Flexbox layout to a Grid layout.
- Single handedly tasked with and completed build of the splash page for the company, www.zap.org, from Figma file to completion.
- Worked through merge conflicts in a large repository with many directories and subdirectories, and both current and old build pages.
- Performed bug testing and QA before a version release and made changes quickly and precisely.

Skills Development Project: Interactive Baseball Scoreboard 3/2021
https://github.com/dobbe2/baseballScoreboard | https://dobbe2.github.io/baseballScoreboard
Developed a visual representation of a baseball scoreboard. Programmed the many conditional situations that occur during a ball and strike count, and the runners on the basepaths. Focused on heavy game logic. Tools: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, RapidAPI, CSS grid

Restaurant Manager / Catering Manager / Server, Feb 2011 – October 2021
Cafe Veloce, Kirkland, WA

Always looked for perfection, providing the highest quality service possible so customers have a memorable experience. Utilize teamwork, good communications, and good time management skills, even when working under pressure. Resolve issues behind the scenes so they aren't customer facing.

- Consistently praised by customers with positive reviews and compliments.
- Voted 2nd place Best Server on the Eastside (without campaigning).