

Betsy Sallee

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Full stack web developer committed to fostering communities through code. With experience in JavaScript, Ruby, React, and Ruby on Rails, and a background in book editing and creative writing, I bring impeccable project management, communication, and client engagement skills that help companies thrive. It was my passion for language that first attracted me to web development; I fell in love with the way in which fluency in a programming language enables you to build another world inside of a browser. Knitting, hiking, and poetry enthusiast.

Technical Projects

Poesie – [Github-Backend](#) | [Github-Frontend](#) | [Demo](#)

A full stack React + Redux application that enables users to create poems out of randomly generated words

- Incorporated the Wordnik API to retrieve randomly generated words based on part of speech
- Implemented React-Draggable to imbue word tiles with drag and drop functionality
- Utilized CarrierWave to allow users to upload profile photos
- Leveraged ActiveRecord data modeling to create complex relationships between users

Gourmand – [Github-Backend](#) | [Github-Frontend](#) | [Demo](#)

A full stack recipe search and storage app that enables users to search for, save, and create recipes

- Implemented React frontend with Rails API backend to create dynamic and responsive user experience
- Integrated the Edamam API and performed recipe queries based on user input
- Utilized JWT and bcrypt for user authentication and authorization, allowing users to safely login and retrieve data

The Ultimate Typing Test – [Github-Backend](#) | [Github-Frontend](#) | [Demo](#)

A full stack single page app that enables users to test their typing skills and compete with one another for the top score

- Constructed a RESTful API backend using Ruby on Rails with a PostgreSQL database
- Employed event listeners to detect correctly and incorrectly typed letters and manipulate the DOM accordingly
- Co-developed project using Git branches to maintain an organized, efficient workflow

Technical Skills

JavaScript, Ruby, React, Redux, Ruby on Rails, Sinatra, ActiveRecord, SQL, SQLite3, PostgreSQL, Git, HTML, CSS

Publications

- **Technical Publications:**

[“A Beginner’s Guide to React,” Noteworthy—The Journal Blog, 2018](#)

- **Poetry Publications:**

[“My Tell,” DIAGRAM, 2018](#)

[“In Case of Emergency,” Nat. Brut, 2017](#)

[“Every Day I Don’t Die Is a Near Miss,” No, Dear, 2017](#)

Employment History

Penguin Random House, New York, NY

Assistant Editor

December 2015-March 2018

- Line edited manuscripts and composed editorial letters to award-winning and best-selling authors
- Wrote book descriptions for marketing and retail use
- Worked closely with authors and agents to ensure the successful publication of highly-anticipated works of literature

Editorial Assistant

July 2013-December 2015

- Liaised between the Editorial Department and the Production, Marketing, and Publicity Departments
- Communicated with external vendors to clear text and image permissions for upcoming titles

Education

Flatiron School, New York, NY

August 2018

Software Engineering Immersive focusing on Ruby on Rails and JavaScript

Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

May 2013

Bachelor of Arts, 3.88 GPA

English (Creative Writing): Departmental Honors