Elizabeth Zagroba: Software Tester

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I do these everyday in my current role; I routinely coach others in these skills.

- Explore an API with the Python requests library consider the response; write API spec in OpenAPI
- Describe and capture the decisions I'm making, the things I'm noticing, and the directions I'm going while facilitating code review, agile ceremony, interview, exploring in a pair or mob/ensemble
- Uncovered and delivered relevant, timely, risk-based information about the system through modelling, exploratory testing, active listening, thorough reading, JIRA archaeology
- Juggle competing priorities, explain the tradeoffs of picking up a new responsibility

I did these in the past, I don't typically do them in my current role.

- Write bugs that capture the problem clearly enough for them to be picked up in my absence
- Mind map a feature to determine risks using the Heuristic Test Strategy Model
- Build things using Selenium, Mendix, HTML, CSS, Javascript, Java, JQL

I jumped into these roles to fill a void.

- Project manager: schedule meetings, assign action items, keep conversation on track, include quieter participants, follow up with other teams to unblock work, coordinate work with off-site teams
- UX designer: compare feature against oracle(s), identify and craft empty/error states & help text
- Developer: pair with a developer, review code, create an architecture diagram, write release notes
- Organizer/speaker: Test Craft Camp, agile guild, mob testing dojo, test guild, All Hands presentations
- Token white woman: strengthen integrity of your panel, conference, team; advocate for real diversity

I worked as a tester and leader with increasing levels of responsibility at these places.

- Mendix [low-code platform] (May 2018 - present)
- Medidata [clinical trial software] (Nov. 2016 - Apr. 2018)
- Huge [digital agency] (Apr. 2015 - Oct. 2016)
- New York Public Radio [news & classical music] (Aug. 2009 - Mar. 2015)

I was selected to speak/give workshops on these topics in the past few years.

- Writing Charters For Your Exploratory Test Sessions: Let's Test, MoT 99-minute workshops
- Building Your Own Api Testing Framework: TestBash, Nordic Testing Days
- Doubt Builds Trust: Let's Test *keynote*, TestBash, Agile Testing Days, Nordic Testing Days

I wrote these articles for the Ministry of Testing Dojo learning platform.

- Stop Tuning Out and Start Tuning In (2020)
- Defining Story Completion As A Software Tester (2019)
- How To Use Mind Maps To Develop Clarity With Your Software Testing Strategy (2016)

I actively participated in trainings on these topics under the guidance of these experts.

- Inspiring Testing & Design Behind the Plan - Fiona Charles
- Rapid Software Testing & End-to-End Agile Testing - Paul Holland

I attended university: Colby College, BA in Mathematics (2005-2009)