Hello!
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Experience:

July 2015 - November 2016
Carnival.io (Acquired by Sailthru) - Junior Software Developer

I worked primarily on the UI of a Ember.js single page application which used micro-serviced Ruby on Rails API's as a backend. I owned the features from mock-up through to testing which enabled me to learn the importance of well structured and tested production code.

- Built features on the Carnival platform with EmberJS
- Created and maintained marketing websites & blogs
- Integrated a third-party API for transactional emails in Ruby

September 2015 - Current
Freelance Web Developer

I have worked with a number of businesses and agencies as a subcontractor to help deliver websites to clients. My role included taking designs from the client and developing the websites with HTML, CSS & Javascript.

Skills Managed:

- Prioritisation of workloads across multiple projects
- Effective communication strategies between the client and myself
- Providing an informed opinion on technologies and make suggestions to the client to fit their needs

Selected clients include: New Zealand Post, Safe365.co.nz & ExperiNZ Tours.

Open Source Contributions:

I'm passionate about contributing to open-source projects as it helps me learn about the tools i'm using as well as gives back to the developer community.

- **PixiJS** - HTML5 2D rendering engine that uses webGL - Helped create unit tests for a Core API Math Object.
  Pull Request: https://goo.gl/21b1vB
- **BabelJS** - Babel is a compiler for writing next generation JavaScript - Helped migrate the documentation for Babili into the main repository.
  Pull Request: https://goo.gl/91FVWn
- **Faker (Ruby Gem)** - A library for generating fake data such as names, addresses, and phone numbers - Created the New Zealand localised data in a YAML formatted file, and provided the unit tests in RSpec to go along with the data.
  Pull Request: https://goo.gl/92lCEh

Projects:

- **Escape the Bacon** - A 2D WebGL game that follows a top-down style sprite through a maze of moving obstacles. I used the project to learn about Webpack, Using ES6 with Babel & PixiJS (a WebGL abstraction layer).
  Github Repository: *https://github.com/geordidearns/escape-the-bacon*
- **Github Battle** - A project that compares Github Profiles 'repository power' and displays the stronger profile as a result - I used the project to learn about ReactJS and using AJAX calls to a third-party API.
  Github Repository: *https://github.com/geordidearns/github-battle*
- **Linkerly -** Linkerly.com was a startup that focused on building a social space where users can save and share their favourite links from across the web, while removing the need to trawl through a forest of detached channels. Using 'link banks', add collaborators or keep them private. Useful link storage.

Education:

Bachelors of Commerce (Major in Marketing, Minor in Management)
University of Otago, New Zealand

My studies focused on business strategy and acquisition within Business-to-Business relationships. I was asked to conduct a feasibility analysis for an Otago Polytechnic course they wished to introduce whilst completing my penultimate year and utilised the skills I had gained in market research to achieve this.

Web Development
Enspiral Developers Academy, New Zealand

Enspiral Developers academy is an immersive web development bootcamp that focuses on full stack development with Javascript, Ruby, Object-Orientated Programming, SQL, HTML5, CSS3, as well as pair programming, agile & test driven development.

Skills:

Javascript (Vanila, Ember, React) | Git | Ruby (On Rails, Sinatra) | HTML | CSS (Sass)| Web Tooling (Webpack, Babel, Gulp) | Agile Methodologies