Gold Screen cinema

Project Introduction

Gold Screen Cinema is a full-stack cinema website built using the MERN (MongoDB, Express.js, React.js, Node.js) stack. Website is responsive to multiple screen sizes. Deployed on an AWS Virtual Machine, it features a microservices-based architecture where all core services run in separate Docker containers, enhancing maintainability and resource efficiency.

The CI/CD pipeline, powered by GitHub Actions, automates testing, building, and deployment, ensuring consistent quality and rapid feature delivery. Each deployment seamlessly integrates development and production updates for a live system.

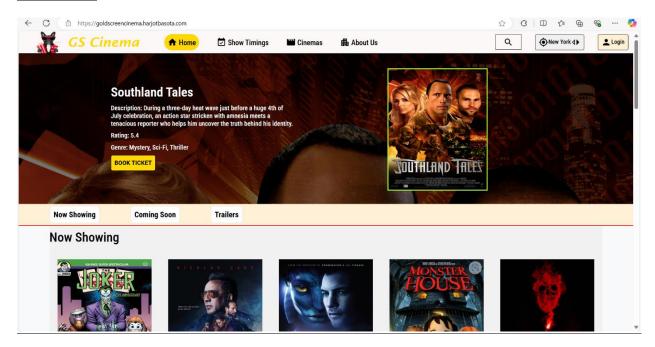
Live: https://goldscreencinema.harjotbasota.com

Repo: https://www.github.com/harjotbasota/goldScreenCinema

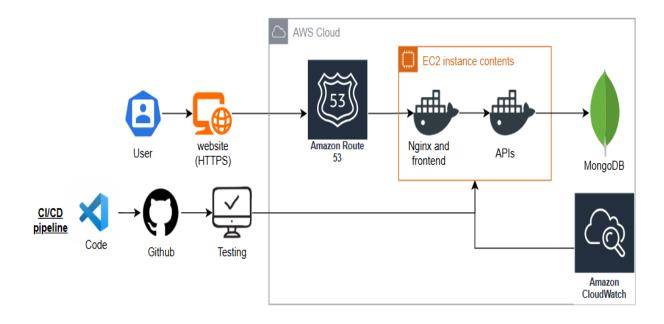
Tech Stack

- React.js
- Node.js
- Express.js
- MongoDB
- APIs
- JWT Authentication
- AWS EC2
- AWS Route 53
- AWS Cloudwatch
- Docker
- Certbot
- GitHub actions
- GitHub Secrets
- Shell Scripts
- Shell Scripting

Website



Architecture



Application Description - Frontend

The frontend of Gold Screen Cinema is a dynamic and user-focused platform built using **React**. It leverages modern tools like **Material-UI**, **Google Icons**, and **Context API** to provide a seamless and visually appealing experience. Styled with **CSS**, the website is fully responsive, ensuring accessibility and functionality across various devices.

Key Features

1. JWT Authentication:

- User sessions are managed using JWTs, with access tokens stored securely in memory and refresh tokens in cookies.
- Logged-in users gain access to exclusive features such as ticket booking and a personalized profile page.

2. Movie Browsing and Booking:

- The Home Page showcases all available movies with a clean and intuitive design.
- The Shows Page provides detailed information, including movies, cinema locations, and showtimes.
- Users can search for movies effortlessly and book tickets through an interactive visual seat selection interface.
- Booked tickets are stored and displayed in the Profile Page for easy access.

3. Dynamic and Interactive UI:

- The front page features a rotating movie banner, highlighting featured films every few seconds.
- Custom error messages enhance user experience by providing clear feedback during issues like login failures or ticket availability errors.

4. **REST API Integration**:

 The frontend communicates with the backend via REST APIs for all core functionalities, ensuring smooth data flow and reliable performance.

User Experience

The frontend is designed with a user-centric approach, incorporating responsive layouts and engaging elements. The combination of Material-UI components and CSS styling ensures a modern and visually consistent interface.

Application Description - APIs

The backend of Gold Screen Cinema is built using **Node.js** with the **Express** framework, providing robust functionality for authentication and ticket management. This service is designed to handle user registration, login, ticket booking, and viewing of booked tickets securely and efficiently.

Key Features

1. Authentication:

- JWT Authentication is used for managing user sessions. On login, a token is generated and stored, while each request to protected routes requires token validation using bcrypt.
- The backend ensures that only authenticated users can access private routes such as profile information and ticket booking.
- o All API requests are made over **HTTPS** to ensure secure data transmission.

2. MongoDB Integration:

- o The backend utilizes **MongoDB** for storing user data and ticket management.
- Two collections are used: one for storing user authentication information (credentials, token) and another for managing ticket bookings.

3. API Endpoints:

- o /auth: Handles signup, login, and logout operations.
- /user: Provides access to user profile data.
- /show: Allows users to view tickets they have already booked.

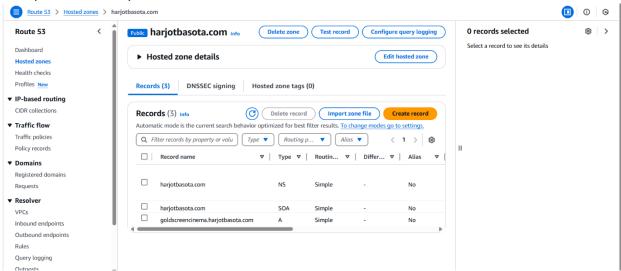
4. Testing:

 Automated tests are written using **Jest** to ensure the integrity and functionality of the backend, covering endpoints and business logic.

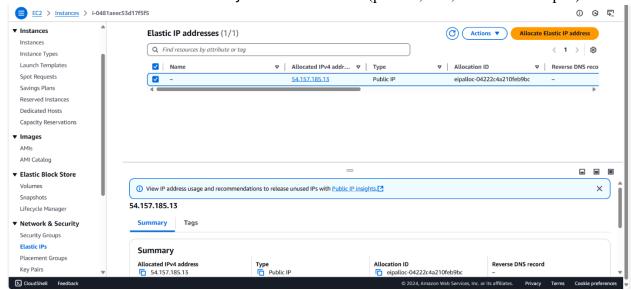
This backend setup supports a clean and organized structure for handling core functionalities, providing a solid foundation for the Gold Screen Cinema platform.

Application Deployment

1. Setup Route 53 to point domain to VM IP



2. Create a VM and attach the IP for your domain to VM (port 22, 443, 80 should be open)



3. Install docker and add ubuntu user to the docker group

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Setting up libltdl7:amd64 (2.4.7-7build1) ...
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Setting up docker-ce-cli (5:27.3.1-1~ubuntu.24.04~noble) ...
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Setting up pigz (2.8-1) ...
Setting up pokeker-ce-rootless-extras (5:27.3.1-1~ubuntu.24.04~noble) ...
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Setting up biliplants (1.2.1-lbuild2) ...
Setting up docker-ce (5:27.3.1-1~ubuntu.24.04~noble) ...
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Created symlink /etc/systemd/system/multi-user.target.wants/docker.service → /usr/lib/systemd/system/docker.service.
Created symlink /etc/systemd/system/sockets.target.wants/docker.socket → /usr/lib/systemd/system/docker.socket.
Processing triggers for man-db (2.12.0-4build2) ...
Scanning triggers for libc-bin (2.39-0ubuntu8.3) ...
Scanning linux images...

Running kernel seems to be up-to-date.

No services need to be restarted.

No user sessions are running outdated binaries.

No VM guests are running outdated hypervisor (qemu) binaries on this host.
ubuntu@ip-172-31-25-202:-$ sudo usermod -aG docker ubuntu
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ubuntu@ip-172-31-25-202:-$ docker images

REPOSITORY TAG IMAGE ID CREATED SIZE
ubuntu@ip-172-31-25-202:-$ docker -version
Docker version 27.3.1, build ce12230
ubuntu@ip-172-31-25-202:-$ docker -version
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4. Clone GitHub repo and execute generateSSL script as sudo to get the ssl certificate and attach it to nginx and api. **Make privkey read for all.** (NOTE: set the domain name in this script before running and update the nginx configuration file for your domain. After changing, sync with git hub)

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Mubuntw@ip-172-31-25-202:-/ X + V

https://letsencrypt.org/documents/LE-SA-v1.4-April-3-2024.pdf. You must agree in order to register with the ACME server. Do you agree?

(Y)es/(N)o: y

Would you be willing, once your first certificate is successfully issued, to share your email address with the Electronic Frontier Foundation, a founding partner of the Let's Encrypt project and the non-profit organization that develops Certbot? We'd like to send you email about our work encrypting the web, EFF news, campaigns, and ways to support digital freedom.

(Y)es/(N)o: y

Account registered.

Requesting a certificate for goldscreencinema.harjotbasota.com

Successfully received certificate.

Certificate is saved at: /etc/letsencrypt/live/goldscreencinema.harjotbasota.com/fullchain.pem

Key is saved at: /etc/letsencrypt/live/goldscreencinema.harjotbasota.com/privkey.pem

This certificate expires on 2025-02-26.

These files will be updated when the certificate renews.

Certbot has set up a scheduled task to automatically renew this certificate in the background.

If you like Certbot, please consider supporting our work by:

* Donating to ISRG / Let's Encrypt: https://letsencrypt.org/donate

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5. Setup the env files in both api and frontend folder.

Frontend: REACT_APP_SERVER_IP (your domain name here)

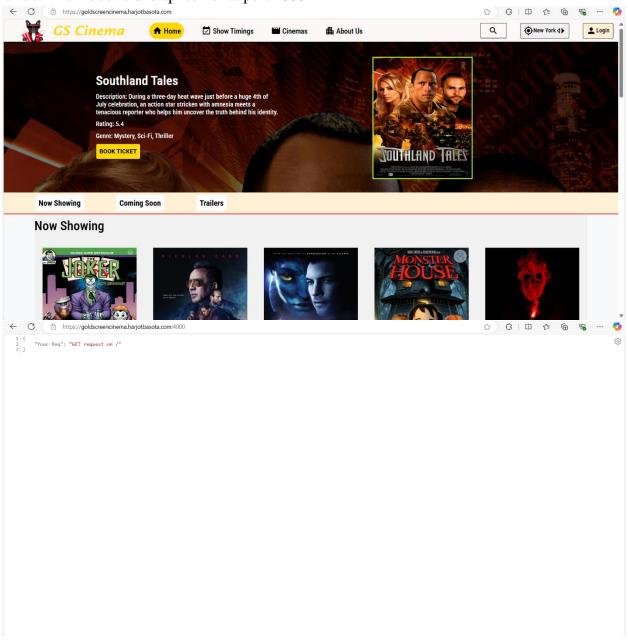
Api: PORT, SERVER_IP(domain name here), JWT_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY

, JWT_REFRESH_TOKEN_SECRET, MONGO_AUTH



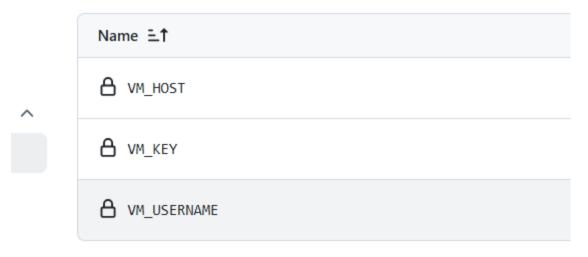
6. Execute docker compose up

7. Check live website and api server at port 4000



8. Add the following secrets repository at GitHub

Repository secrets



9. Test the pipeline by making changes and pushing it to github

