

# Dexter Valencia

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## Summary

Front-End Developer with a background in design and management looking to help upgrade, streamline, or debug client/server-side technologies. Aptitude to maximize interaction between user and machine to create captivating experiences. Penchant proactive leader who displays a can-do approach for problem-solving and driving results to maximize scalability. Next up is applying these skills to help build better web experiences.

## Technical Skills

**Languages:** HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, JavaScript, jQuery, ReactJS, Node.js, Express, MySQL, SequelizeORM, MongoDB, Mongoose, Heroku, GitHub, Python

**Applications:** Photoshop CC, InDesign CC, Illustrator CC, Lightroom Classic, Acrobat Pro, Dreamweaver CC, Visual Studio Code, Terminal, Command-Line, Pitstop, Macintosh OS X 10.13.6, Windows 10, Microsoft Word

## Projects

**ReMemory, Github:** <https://bit.ly/3afEtLJ> **Live Link:** <https://bit.ly/3erNncu>

**Languages Used:** Mongo, Express, React, Node.js

- Created a React journal that allows users to save memories, search for old memories by tags.
- Sole creator of this project, from wireframe, user stories, Project Kanban Board, API Routes, MERN Stack

**MixTaper, Github:** <https://bit.ly/2RM3Lux>

**Languages Used:** JavaScript, Node.js, MySQL, SequelizeORM

- MixTaper is a song playlist building and sharing platform that helps music lovers keep track of and organize all the music they are currently listening to.
- Created the routes for the backend in MySQL and helped where needed.

**Note Taker, Github:** <https://bit.ly/3eyj9V4> **Live Link:** <https://bit.ly/2Viv5TC>

**Languages Used:** JavaScript, Node.js, Express

- When run in the command line, the user starts at the landing page. When the "Get Started" button is pressed, a new page appears and the user can make a new note with title, save, edit existing notes.
- Most of the app was built, my object was to make sure all the routes are working via back-end.

## Experience

**Graphic Designer/Website Manager** 2/12 to 11/19

**The Catholic Voice**, Oakland, CA

Maintained and updated website, designed the East Bay Diocese's bi-monthly newspaper, created advertisements up to clients specifications, designed and updated yearly Diocesan phone directory, worked directly with press vendor to resolve issues, photographed local events to accompany articles

- Created special 50th-anniversary edition of the newspaper
- Conceptualized and designed branding for Diocese's 50th-anniversary

**Graphic Designer** 12/08 to 2/12

**San Francisco Examiner**, San Francisco, CA

Collaborated with editors and peers to design front pages, cover stories, news sections, features pages under multiple daily deadlines

- Redesigned the newspaper giving it a fresh bold look to follow publications new direction
- Created special publication for SF MOMA's "The Steins Collect"

### **Education**

**Bootcamp Certificate: U.C. Berkeley Extension**, San Francisco, CA

- A 12-week intensive program focused on gaining technical programming skills in HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, JQuery, Bootstrap, Node.js, MySQL, MongoDB, Express, Handelbars.js & ReactJS.

**Digital Graphics and Multimedia, California State University Hayward**, Hayward, CA

**Kelby Training**, Burlingame, Sacramento, CA

- Photoshop CS3 Power Session, InDesign CS3 Seminar Tour, Shoot Like a Pro: Reloaded (Photography), Lightroom on Tour