

CV for

Kolja Wilcke



Freelance illustrator and software engineer with experience in Clojure, Rust and JavaScript, based in Berlin.

nov 23rd 1971	born in Cape Town / South Africa
may 11, 1991	Abitur at <i>Freie Waldorfschule Mainz</i>
jan 16 to nov 15, 1992	stay in Moscow and Turkmenistan, working as translator (Russian/German) on the film set of " <i>Karakum</i> "
oct 1st 1992 to mar 31 1996	studies of civil engineering at TU Darmstadt (without closure)
oct 18, 1995	working student at <i>Software AG</i> , Darmstadt
oct 1st 1996	studies at Design Factory, Hamburg communication design and imagery (<i>"Neue Bildsprache"</i>)
oct 5th 1998 to jun 24 1999	stipend for <i>Fraunhofer Center for Research in Computer Graphics</i> (CRCG) and <i>Brown University</i> . Participated in <i>international certificate program</i> <i>for new media</i> (ICPNM) in Providence / USA
mar 31, 2000	Design Factory Hamburg Certificate "with distinction"
apr 3rd 2000	freelance Illustrator represented by " <i>die Illustratoren / Corinna Hein</i> "

Advertising Agencies (Excerpt)

- Lothar Böhm Design
- TBWA Hamburg
- BBDO Düsseldorf
- Jung v. Matt
- Steigerwald (Iberogast)

Other Customers / References

- AOL Bertelsmann,
- Klett Verlag,
- Zeitfilm Media / Hamburg,
- Dresdner Bank,
- eBay,
- Spiegel TV,
- Linde AG,
- Cartoonfilm
- BILD am Sonntag,
- Handelsblatt,
- Hörzu (Mecki)

dec 1st 2009	<p>Comic “<i>Loreley</i>” (Self published)</p> <p>Review by Tagesspiegel: https://bit.ly/3r2t5yF</p>
feb 13, 2012 to feb 13, 2019	<p>Zalando SE, Software Developer</p> <p>projects at Zalando include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • work with the <i>Shop</i> team on the customer-facing website (JavaScript, JQuery). • <i>CuCaTo</i>, a CRM tool (of sorts) to facilitate querying purchase data for the customer service department (ClojureScript using Reagent to interface with a REST API) • A frontend for a tool to manage the continuous delivery pipeline (think Jenkins; built with React) • A game that customers get to play when they visit the 404 page (written in Elm; There are articles about it on the Zalando Tech Blog here and here) • work with <i>STUPS</i> team on Software in the SRE realm, e.g. A tool to monitor the deployment of Docker containers. • conducted onboarding interviews
oct 2019 to jan 2022	<p>Freelance work in China</p> <p>projects include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Alien DNA</i>, a Unity / C# game • <i>REPL Alliance</i>, a vim REPL client • <i>A1 Geschichten. Stories to learn German</i> • <i>Loriini</i>, A commandline color picker written in Rust
mar 2022 to today	<p>Lecturer at TUMO/Berlin:</p> <p><i>Game Development with Unity</i></p>

Lectureships and teaching

Design Factory *Perspective Drawing and Illustration*
(Hamburg/Germany) *Entertainment & Interactive Media*
 PHP and Interactive

Nan Yang Xue Yuan *Storyboarding*
(Wuxi/China)

GuiHu Daxue, *Flash and Illustration basics*
(Shanghai/China)

Beijing Normal *Web Production / Interactive Media*
University *Storyboarding*
(Zhuhai/China)

Fraunhofer IESE *Entertainment & Interactive*
(Malta)

EEG *Ruby game development*
(Leipzig/Germany) *JavaScript game development*
 (with "Instant Rocket Fuel")

TUMO *Generative Art with ClojureScript*
(Dilijan/Armenia)

Seminars, as trainer

nov 26, 2016 ClojureBridge Berlin (Clojure Workshop)

jan 2018 Zalando TechSurfing (JavaScript Workshop)

as of March TUMO Berlin, Game Development with Unity
2022

Lectures, as speaker

jul 18/19 2016 Curry-on Conference (Rome/Italy)

oct 13 2016 React NL Conf (Amsterdam/Netherlands)

feb 21/22 2019 Lambda Days (Krakow/Poland)

Other Qualification

AEVO exam at IHK

test for suitability as trainer

Languages

fluent: English and German

also: Russian, French and Chinese (Mandarin)

Programming Languages

- JavaScript / ES6, TypeScript
- node.js
- React / Vue.js, Vite
- Storybook, Jest
- Clojure / ClojureScript
 - Reagent
 - Babashka
- Rust
- CSS, Sass, Tailwind

Other Software & Tools

- neovim
- Docker
- typst
- Zola (static site gen)
- Painter, Affinity Products

Social Media / Contact

Twitter <https://twitter.com/01k>

Github <https://GitHub.com/kolja>

Stack Overflow <https://stackoverflow.com/users/731041/kolja>

Artstation <https://www.artstation.com/kolja01>

Dribbble <https://dribbble.com/Kolja>

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