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I'm a web developer looking to join good people who do awesome work

I fill my weeks by sketching and coding user interfaces, playing soccer and free-running, making and listening to music and being with my wife and daughter.

My expertise is building highly interactive user interfaces

From conception to ship-off, from back-end to front-end.

My stack includes :

- Javascript – jQuery – jQuery UI – Coffeescript
- CSS – HTML5 – Django – BeautifulSoup
- Python – Unix – Git – ffmpeg – ImageMagick

Some accomplishments :

SDG&E, April – December 2011

I was the senior front-end developer for San Diego Gas & Electric's website redesign. I lead three other developers into rapid deployments in which we built a css and jQuery framework that is currently supporting thousands of pages.

We used an agile scrum process in which I was heavily involved in communicating with stakeholders, developing story-oriented sprint plans, developing to spec and presenting work to project owners.

I'm most proud of building the Energy Usage Calculator [2] and the Energy Innovation Center virtual tour [3].

SDGE.com strengthened my practice of enterprise standards, multi-discipline team work, negotiating and communicating with stakeholders, deploying code in a chaotic environment and working in a scrum process.

[1] sdge.com

[2] sdge.com/tools

[3] sdge.com/eic-tour

FavGoal, Fall 2011

FavGoal.com is an archive for soccer goals that I built in Fall of 2011. It allows people to watch, share and collect goal clips. It has been released into the wild and is stable but neglected while I work on a solution for automating the extraction of goal-clips.

FavGoal has strengthened my understanding of Python, Cloud API's, RESTful architecture, hashtag scripting, responsive design, web scraping, video streaming, and automated video processing.

IO Artisans, 2008 - 2011

IO Artisans was a small web development business that I started in order to get out of the IT field. I'd be the sole developer on a project or I'd oversee a few freelancers.

IO Artisans was my catalyst for learning jQuery and the LAMP stack.

See ioartisans.com for some of my completed projects during this era.

Absolute Systems, 2003 - 2008

My uncle introduced me to computers when I was 15 and within a few years I was working for him as a computer / network technician.

Work consisted of getting to a client's office building or warehouse somewhere in the Los Angeles area, figuring out who the stakeholder of a problem was, communicating with them and then solving the problem.

I hold this experience close to my heart because it introduced me to linux and computer networking.