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WEB DEVELOPER PROFILE

Greetings! As a Software Developer, coding bootcamp and journalism grad, I bring experience in HTML/CSS, JavaScript, and React to the table as well as experience in back end languages like NodeJS/ExpressJS. My passion tech led me from owning/operating a construction company to a new, exciting career in web development. I now build responsive, accessible, and user-friendly applications in the virtual world, a transition eased by taking advantage of the skills I developed and refined from building in the physical world. I also place a huge emphasis on continuous learning and staying on top of emerging trends and technology in concert with strong communication, collaboration and prioritizing skills while working with clients and colleagues.

SKILLS SUMMARY

JavaScript | RESTful APIs & Firebase | Responsive Design | React | HTML5 | CSS/SASS/SCSS | Node.js
Express.js | Git & GitHub | Web Accessibility | SEO | Technical Documentation | Paired Programming
Team Collaboration | Project Scope Management | Problem Solving | Critical Thinking | Communication

HIGHLIGHTED PROJECTS

Juno College - Project 4 - Quiz Game: What do YOU no? <Live><Repo>

React | FireBase | APIs | HTML5 | CSS3 | SASS | JSX | Git | GitHub

- Collaborated with a group of developers and multiple third-party APIs to retrieve and manipulate object data to accomplish goal of creating quiz game requiring users to match homonyms with their definitions
- Wrote efficient, well-structured, and maintainable code using HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and front-end frameworks
- Demonstrated strong communication, collaboration, and prioritization skills while working with clients and colleagues

Juno College - Project 3 - Rijks Museum Art Search <Live><Repo>

React | APIs | HTML5 | CSS3 | SASS | JSX | Git | GitHub

- Made multiple API calls using core React concepts to create a dynamic website allowing users to search, educate and get a close up look at world-renown art using different API endpoints from the world-famous Rijks Museum
- Participated in code reviews, provided constructive feedback, and continuously sought opportunities to improve skills and knowledge

Juno College - Project 2 - Horoscopes 4 U <Live><Repo>

APIs | HTML5 | CSS3 | JavaScript | SASS | Git | GitHub

- Displayed competency in working with third-party APIs, DOM manipulation, JavaScript, error handling and UI design, and proficiency in pair programming, coordination and communication
- Worked with UX and UI professionals to drive the user experience of web application
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively in a team environment

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Juno College of Technology (formerly HackerYou) | Web Development Immersive Bootcamp Certificate | Toronto | 2022

University of Toronto | Hons. Bachelor of Science in Human Biology | Fine Art History Minor | Toronto

Centennial College | Journalism Diploma | Toronto

WORK EXPERIENCE

General Contractor | DCD Construction | Self-Employed | Greater Toronto Area

Jan 2008 - Sep 2022

- As a business owner of own contracting business, managed complex projects, exceeded revenue goals year over year by over 50%, and provided excellent customer service to clients
- Worked with clients to manage their project expectations via daily timeline updates, revised designs and budgets, while demonstrating strong collaboration, problem-solving, multitasking, and critical-thinking skills to realize clients' goals
- Designed, developed and implemented company's marketing plan through website, flyers and business cards
- Used latest accounting software to stay updated on finances, identify areas of savings and maximize revenue and tax returns
- Responded to and resolved emergency situations, including unexpected structural damage and flooding
- As an apprentice of DCD Construction, worked directly under general contractor in large residential and commercial projects providing clients with excellent customer service, communication and execution of 15-20 projects per year

Volunteer | Hennick Bridgepoint Hospital | Ambulatory Care Gym

May 2019 - Mar 2020

- Helped physiotherapists rehabilitate knee replacement patients through set up, clean up, patient interaction in therapy gym
- Encouraged and motivated patients during their rehabilitation sessions. Assisted and escorted patients as needed

Public Address Announcer | University of Toronto | St. George Campus

Sep 2004 - Apr 2015

- Hosted hundreds of University of Toronto varsity-level hockey, volleyball, basketball, football and figure skating events