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Skills

Frontend Skills:

HTML 5, CSS 3, SCSS, Javascript, jQuery, AJAX, Bootstrap, Wire-framing

Backend Skills:

Ruby, Sinatra, Ruby-on-Rails, Rspec, SQLite3, PostgreSQL, ActiveRecord, APIs

Other Skills:

Git, GitHub, Vim, Sublime Text, Photoshop, Capture One, Agile Methodology

Web Development Experience

Web Developer, New York Code and Design Academy - November 2015 - March 2016 Built multiple projects in week long sprints, both collaboratively and individually.

Deeper Learning:

A Rails based tool for teaching coding. Uses the Twilio IP Messaging API to provide a messaging service for users, utilizing AJAX. Incorporates the Ace editor, for in browser textediting and linter functionality. Users learn the basics of coding in a friendly, approachable format. Utilizes Carrierwave for Image Uploads, that are stored on an Amazon S3 server.

Bootleg Tumbler:

A Rails based social media site, designed for bootleggers. Users can make posts, comment on posts, upload avatars. Users are also able to follow others, and view other users posts. Users can upload Avatars using a custom image uploader function.

JS Jukebox:

A music player, written in pure Javascript. Comes with three built-in songs, and allows users to add more songs by submitting the url link to the MP3 file, and providing a title. Users can play songs, skip songs, search through songs. Current playing songs are highlighted. While songs are playing, a CSS animation runs that spins the record on the turntable.

Notepads:

A set of simple note taking applications. 1 pure fronted iteration, utilizing jQuery for all interaction, and a Sinatra framework based iteration that uses ActiveRecord to link to a Postgres database. The Sinatra based version has user login/signup functionality. Users have the ability to color code items, remove items, edit features and on the Sinatra version, can save items for future reference.

Other Professional Experience

Senior Paralegal, IP Litigation, Desmarais LLP — June 2010 - July 2015
Responsible for managing all aspects of Complex Patent Litigations from intake through appeal, including Discovery, Pleadings, Correspondence, Preparation and Filing of Expert Reports, Trial Preparation, and In-Court Support during trial, in collaboration with other Paralegals, Associates and Partners.

Worked primarily in Tech-related spaces, requiring the ability to quickly become up to speed on various Technologies.

Mentored Junior Legal Assistants, provided support and instruction as necessary, as well as training on new methods and technologies.

Photographer/Sole-Proprietor, Matthew Costabile Photography — 2007 - Present Freelance photographer, focused primarily on a combination of Portrait/Headshot and Travel/ Editorial work. Provided high quality images, in any scenario, often troubleshooting light conditions, and providing the client with the best possible service

Education

City University of New York, Hunter College — BA Economics, September 2011