Matthew Robert Walters

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Passionate about building products from conception to product-market fit

SKILLS

Languages TypeScript, JavaScript, Python, Ruby, Go, Bash, Lua, Java, Scala, LaTeX

Tools Next.js, React, Rails, GraphQL, Git, Playwright, Prisma, Tailwind CSS

Infrastructure & Data k8s, Docker, AWS, GCP, Railway, Github Actions, CircleCI, Postgres, Redis

WORK HISTORY

Drift — driftee.ai — Creator — Jan 2026 - Present
An open-source, AI-powered CLI tool to prevent documentation drift for humans and agents.
- Built and maintain the core CLI tool using Go and Bubble Tea.
- Implemented a GitHub Actions and CI mode for automated documentation validation.
- Developed an AI-powered init command to bootstrap configuration based on the user's codebase.

LogRocket — logrocket.com — Senior Software Engineer — Jun 2023 - Present
LogRocket is a B2B analytics platform focusing on session replay, issue detection, and analytics.
- Rapidly prototyped and then led the full production development of a new AI Feedback product.
- Built AI workflow for automated data source integration, improving AI Feedback tool adaptability.
- Adopted and championed new AI development workflows within the team accelerating output.
- Developed custom tools for AI agent, boosting its user feedback analytical capabilities.

Perfect Venue — perfectvenue.com — Co-founder & CTO — Mar 2020 - Jan 2023
Perfect Venue is a VC-backed CRM for restaurants and venues that host private events.
- Led the company from pre-seed to seed, building a platform that grew to 1000+ users and $500,000 ARR.
- Established the engineering roadmap and translated technical concepts to a non-technical co-founder.
- Sourced, interviewed, and hired founding team of engineers and developed early engineering culture.
- Integrated Stripe and Finix to allow users to make charges through the product at a $90 million annual run rate.
- Designed and built email relay system on SendGrid to provide integrated messaging capability on the platform.
- Automated data migration from primary competitors to facilitate white glove onboarding.

Remote Year — remoteyear.com — Senior Software Engineer — Jan 2017 - Feb 2020
Remote Year provides work-travel adventures around the world to location independent workers.
- Migrated core operational data from Google Sheets to Postgres-based web app with no downtime.
- Developed internal tools and automations that reduced manual data entry by an estimated 10-15 hours per week.
- Built reliable custom invoicing process on Stripe that processes tens of millions of dollars per year.
- Delivered data insights to product, sales, and marketing teams, informing strategy and improving decision-making.

Shopkeepery — shopkeepery.com — Founder — Mar 2016 - Dec 2016
Starting as a side project, Shopkeepery was an application to help artists sell art.
- Architected simple and scalable backend with Ansible, Nginx, and HAProxy on AWS.
- Built custom domain support with Let's Encrypt SSL certs served dynamically with Nginx, Lua, PostgreSQL.
- Created integration with Facebook Marketing API to export collections of products as Facebook ads.
- Designed robust image manipulation pipeline with Sidekiq and ImageMagick.

Swiftype — swiftype.com — Software Engineer — May 2014 - Mar 2016
Swiftype delivers search as a service for everyone from small business to large enterprises.
- Maintained API serving 3 billion requests per month with average response times below 200ms.
- Worked with TechOps lead to migrate 800GB MongoDB instance to a sharded MySQL solution.

Couchsurfing — couchsurfing.com — Analytics Engineer — Oct 2012 - Oct 2013
Couchsurfing is a social network allowing users to find accommodations and activities while traveling.
- Developed and deployed analytics infrastructure for 7M+ users, enabling data-driven product decisions.
- Leveraged cohort analysis and A/B testing to inform product strategy, improving user engagement.

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley | 2007 - 2012
- Bachelor of Science, Environmental Economics and Policy
- Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology