

## Michael Benzinger

Frontend Web Developer – JavaScript, React, Node, Express, MongoDB  
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### PROJECTS

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- Library Catalog <https://github.com/michaelbenzinger/local-library>
- A library catalog built in the MVC pattern using Node, Express, MongoDB, and Pug
  - Supports full CRUD (create, read, update, delete) functionality
- Weather App <https://michaelbenzinger.github.io/weather-app/>
- Makes use of the OpenWeather API to display current and forecasted weather
  - Intuitive and responsive design that adapts to any size display
- To-do List <https://michaelbenzinger.github.io/todo-app/>
- A to-do app with a focus on simplicity and clean design, styled from scratch in CSS
  - Users can add tasks, due dates, notes, and priority, and create a number of lists to manage
- Battleship <https://michaelbenzinger.github.io/battleship/>
- The classic game of Battleship implemented in JavaScript and tested with Jest
  - Intelligent enemy AI selects attacks based on previous hits and its conception of the board

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Web Designer – Freelance/Contract March 2020 – Current
- Redesigned and developed websites for multiple organizations
  - Wrote custom HTML & CSS to improve mobile responsiveness and brand cohesion
  - Followed best practices of web accessibility and SEO
- Music Director – Lord of Glory Lutheran Church June 2016 – May 2020
- Led and recruited a team of musicians and technical volunteers, which I grew from 12 to over 35
  - Mentored team members individually and as a group to develop musical excellence, work ethic, and cooperation
  - Introduced technologies and systems to improve communication, efficiency, and organization

### SKILLS

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#### Technical and Frontend Skills

HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React, Node  
MongoDB, Express, Pug, Sass, Bootstrap  
Jest, Webpack, Git, GitHub, Linux  
Working knowledge of accessibility best practices  
Understanding of Graphic Design and UI/UX  
Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, and Premiere Pro

#### Soft Skills

Adaptability and fast learning  
Leadership and team-oriented  
Written and verbal communication  
Problem-solving  
Resourcefulness and independence  
Time management and organization

### EDUCATION

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**The Odin Project Full Stack Web Development Program** February 2021 – Current  
Thorough study and hands-on experience building a variety of websites and applications  
Developing relevant skills and best practices using leading technologies and frameworks

**Berklee College of Music, Boston MA** September 2013 – May 2016  
Bachelor of Music in Film Scoring with a minor in Video Game Audio  
Received numerous scholarships and graduated summa cum laude in 3 years