

Experience

CURRENT



SR. PRODUCT MANAGER

Bankrate

Roving PM assigned to special projects — primarily ones horizontally placed within a company that is organized by its verticals:

- Display Ads Worked across teams to lead launch of Sonobi header bidding product, helping produce ~60% YoY increase in programmatic eCPM
- Native Ads Led engineering and operations efforts to implement custom built and vendor specific (Sharethrough) native ad sizes, resulting in 100% increase in available inventory on article pages
- HTTPS Worked as project co-lead, partnering with Engineering to transition bankrate.com to HTTPS
- Infrastructure PM for small engineering team in charge of migrating key data service from legacy code and infrastructure to a modern, cloud-hosted solution
- Data Science Product lead for DS team working to model, train, and automatically update internal pricing service based on time series forecasting methods



DEVELOPER (FREELANCE)

War On The Rocks

- Freelance web developer initially brought on in January 2017 to integrate a light-weight subscriber service (Memberful) into existing WordPress infrastructure.
- In November 2017, completed a theme and plugin rewrite that has resulted in (a) reducing the number of active, third-party plugins from 37 to 9, and (b) improving average page load time by ~30%



DEVELOPER (FREELANCE)

Baseball Prospectus

 As a part of the 2017 redesign team, I led initiative to import over 90,000 articles, 200,000 comments, and 100,000 users from legacy services into WordPress MU

 Migrated BP from Co-Authors Plus to Bylines, implemented a custom shortcode solution (with Shortcake — allowing writers and editors to easily embed media), and currently working as project lead for implementing display advertising solutions

PREVIOUS



SR. PRODUCT MANAGER

Vox Media Inc

Product Manager of *Hymnal*, a platform for creating and managing custom ad campaigns. Also responsible for working with the (page speed) performance team to improve the user experience + performance of display ad products. In February 2016, I spoke in front of industry senior executives at DCN Next:Summit (Miami) about the rise of ad blocking and the importance for publishers to prioritize the overall user experience of their sites. A summary of that conference & appearance is available at digitalcontentnext.org.

2015



DIRECTOR OF PRODUCT & ENGINEERING

The New Republic

Product lead and engineering manager for almost three years, I helped drive this 100-year-old magazine's transition into a modern web publishing company. Highlights of projects built and/or produced:

- Two major redesigns + Drupal rewrites
- Significant web performance & UX improvements
- A unique WordPress image uploader tool built inside Drupal
- Overhaul of entire ad-operations / DFP stack
- Editorial shortcodes for Drupal integration
- Special feature article and project templates

2012



WORDPRESS DEVELOPER (CONTRACT)

TIME.com



Contract web developer hired to contribute to TIME Magazine's first responsive web redesign that officially launched in October 2012. Also built a DNC/GOP political convention app that was created and promoted in partnership with Foursquare.



MARKETING PRODUCER

MLB Advanced Media

Hybrid role of Project Manager, Web Producer, and Front-End Developer for MLB.com and its club sites (e.g. Reds, Indians, Mets).

2011



DIRECTOR OF DIGITAL MEDIA

Tampa Bay Lightning

Built digital media department from the ground up; managing, reporting, editing, and producing original written + video content while also leading all product and department initiatives. Upon leaving, TBL filled the responsibilities of my duties with the following five full-time positions (i.e., I was doing all of these):

- Director of Digital Media, Web Editor, Product Manager
- Lead Developer / Web Manager
- Social Media Editor
- Video Producer / Editor
- Web Producer / Coordinator

2009



TECHINICAL PRODUCER

New York Times Regional Media Group

Front-end & co-lead developer that redesigned and integrated 15 regional newspaper websites into a centralized codebase and CMS infrastructure.

Education

1999



MAJOR IN HISTORY AND AMERICAN STUDIES

Florida State University

Club President & Team Captain - FSU Hockey Club, 1996-97; Chairperson - Sports Club Council, 1998; Vice-chairperson - Sports Club Council, 1997; Youth hockey coach, 1997-2000

Other Notables

- Profiles & Such
- Developer Human Impacts Institute (2017)
- Member ONA, IRE
- Attendee NICAR (2014, 2015, 2016)
- Seminar Graduate Poynter, Building News Apps (2012)
- Board Member Creative Tampa Bay (2008-10)
- Founding Co-Chair *Emerge Tampa Bay* (2004-08)
- Previous roles in: journalism (New York Times Student Journalism Institute), politics (Alex Sink for CFO), marketing (HCP & Associates), television (Home Shopping Network), and film (Grant Wilfley Casting)

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