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Actor and professional tennis coach turned full stack web developer with a passion for JavaScript frameworks. I circled back to coding after a long detour, bringing with me a love of collaboration, creative problem solving, and a detail-oriented approach to projects. I am excited to join a supportive team of fellow developers that prioritizes creativity and a “try everything at least once” attitude.

TECHNICAL PROJECTS

ADV-SCHEDULER GitHub: [Frontend](#) [Backend](#) | [Demo](#)

Schedule, book, and keep track of your tennis lessons

- Utilized JWT for authorization on log-in and sign-up.
- Implemented user interface with React with Redux and Bootstrap for styling.
- Utilized Rails and ActiveRecord to persist user data.
- Pulled from third-party API to get location specific weather forecasts.

THE ACTOR'S MONOLOGUE JOURNAL GitHub: [Frontend](#) [Backend](#) | [Demo](#)

A single place to keep all the monologues in your repertoire

- Utilized JWT for authorization on log-in and sign-up.
- Implemented user interface with React and Bootstrap for styling.
- Utilized Rails and ActiveRecord to persist user data.

PONG [GitHub](#) | [Demo](#)

Climb the leaderboards in a recreation of the classic Atari Pong for one player or two player

- Implemented JavaScript and p5 to create graphic and interactive experiences.
 - Utilized Rails and ActiveRecord to persist user data.
 - Employed Bootstrap for styling.
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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Proficient in Ruby, Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, React, Redux, HTML, SQL, ActiveRecord, Postgres, and SQLite. Exposure to p5, Moment, NodeJS, and Java.

EDUCATION

FLATIRON SCHOOL - ACCESS LABS – Brooklyn, NY

January 2019

Full Stack Web Development, 15 Week Immersive Program

THE EUGENE O'NEILL THEATER CENTER – Waterford, CT

Fall 2016 - Spring 2017

National Theater Institute, Advanced Performance

- Theater intensive semester programs: 16 hours/day, 7 days/week.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, Krieger School of Arts and Sciences – Baltimore, MD

May 2016

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology, minor in Theater

- Cumulative GPA: 3.95.
 - Member of The National Society of Collegiate Scholars, The Golden Key International Honour Society, and National Psychology Honor Society, Psi Chi. Served as Vice President and President of Psi Chi.
 - Varsity Tennis: 4-year letter winner, Captain (junior and senior years), member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.
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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

EUGENE O'NEILL THEATER CENTER – Waterford, CT

2018

Theatermakers Associate

- Managed program of 24 students and 65+ faculty members.
- Created a 50-page handbook to establish institutional memory for the Theatermakers programs.

McCARREN TENNIS CENTER – Brooklyn, NY

2018

Staff Pro

- Directed 5 individual and 15 group sessions on a weekly basis, working with students aged 3 - 60.

OLIVIA D. KASTEN – Norwalk, OH

2013 - 2017

USPTA Certified Tennis Professional

- Developed, assessed, and corrected strokes to help students reach their playing goals.
- Customized and implemented lesson plans for 15 individuals on a weekly basis.

NORWALK SUMMER TENNIS CAMP – Norwalk, OH

2012 - 2017

Head Tennis Pro

- Directed 40 campers in various drills, developed and modified drills for varying abilities.

NATIONAL LEVEL USTA TOURNAMENT – Oberlin, OH

2013 - 2014

Desk Director

- Managed court assignments and recorded scores from each court.
- Answered parents' and players' general questions and relayed updated tournament information.

ADDITIONAL

- CPR/AED/First Aid Certified.
- CaringKind TackleALZ Athlete, 2018 - Present.
- Social Media Volunteer for The Muse Project, 2018.
- Special Olympics Tennis Volunteer, 2013 - 2016.
- Green Spring Tennis and Education Foundation Volunteer and Mascot, 2013 – 2016.
- Interests include: acting and comedy, animals, musical theatre performance, and video gaming.