Ollie Church / Software Engineer

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Current Role

Software Engineer
Jan 2023 - present

Salary Finance

Fintech company building responsible financial products and educational resources.

- ☐ Deliver hypercritical packages ahead of schedule, working full-stack with C#, .Net, Vue, Typescript, and AWS.
- ☐ Collaborate within cross-functional teams, using Agile frameworks to complete business requirements.
- ☐ Drive initiatives to significantly reduce production issues, resulting in a 98.8% decrease in customer application faults backlog.
- ☐ Create efficient and user-friendly documentation, to enhance knowledge-sharing and productivity.

Junior Software Dev
Apr 2022 - Dec 2022

Promoted with 'Outstanding' performance review

Maxwell Mysteries

Interactive, play-at-home puzzle game series following the cases of 1930s detective Larry Maxwell. First two in the series available to purchase from Paradox Parlours Escape Rooms.

- ☑ React Application
- ☑ React Router
- ☑ Custom CSS
- ☑ Responsive Design
- ☑ API Calls
- ☑ Finished Product

600+ users, ~£7000 of profit and **5 star reviews**.
Play the demo at **mysteries-demo.co.uk**

A Little About Me

As a puzzle addict turned coding enthusiast, I bring with me four years of experience managing a small team focused on providing five-star customer service to over 31,000 happy players.

My love of escape rooms has taught me three valuable tips: search, speak, and keep it simple. I apply the same approach in software engineering by finding relevant tools and knowledge, communicating effectively with my team, and seeking out the simplest solutions to problems.

See more at OllieChurch.co.uk

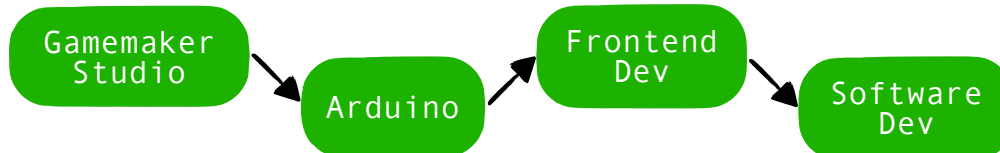| React	Vue	Javascript	HTML	CSS	Bootstrap	Vuetify
Typescript	C#	MySQL	.Net	Jira	Git Hub	AWS

Learning To Code

On a cold February night in 2019 I wrote my first line of code. It moved a cartoon cat head across a blank screen.

Gamemaker Studio → Arduino → Frontend Dev → Software Dev

Along side my own google-fuelled, experimental projects, I completed the **Scrimba** *Frontend Developer Career Path.* I spoke with Alex Booker about my career change on the **Scrimba Podcast**.

Other Education

University Of Surrey	**East Norfolk Sixth Form**	**Hobart High School**
1st Class	3 A Levels (A - B)	11 GCSEs
BA(Hons) Acting	1 AS Level	(A * - B)

Operations Manager
2018 - 2022
Paradox Parlours

An entertainment company providing live escape experiences, puzzle trails and online games.

- [ ] Ensured excellent customer service from a growing team. Boosted 5 star TripAdvisor ratings from ~100 to 750+, at a 5 to 4 star ratio of 75:1. There are no ratings less than 4 stars.
- [ ] Expanded team from 3 to 11 people. Devised training programme for quick and effective onboarding.
- [ ] Created electronic puzzles using Arduino code and debugging existing code (Arduino and Javascript).
- [ ] Co-ordinated 'by appointment' corporate and group bookings to fit client requirements. This included invoicing.

Acting Tutor & Actor
2015 - 2022
Freelance

- [ ] Built relationships with a large variety of contacts across the creative industries which have been useful in my other roles.
- [ ] Delivered ~1000 hours of performance lessons and workshops for young people. Setting personal goals for students and working towards success.
- [ ] Worked to a brief, producing workshops and performance pieces in different mediums. Everything from a drama workshop on the English Civil War, to short films, audio scripts and murder mysteries.

Events Supervisor/Admin
2012 - 2018
G Live

Flagship 1000 seat venue for HQ Theatres.

- [ ] Team co-ordination during dinner and party events of 500+ attendees. Pre-empting and swiftly counteracting problems.
- [ ] Maintained spreadsheets (including sales figures), processed orders and invoices, central point for internal communications.
- [ ] Progressed team upselling/cross-selling targets while assisting customers in sales and enquiries.

Office Admin/Promo Team
2011 - 2019
Eagle Radio

- [ ] Closely collaborated with the Managing Director to deliver large scale annual projects across Surrey and Hampshire, with improved engagement year on year.
- [ ] Friendly first point of contact for guests, ensured site security and provided internal communications.

IT Assistant
2011 - 2011
BBC Fire Protection

- [ ] Prepared over 100 laptops for national deployment to engineers.
- [ ] Produced clear documentation for future staff on how to complete the process.

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References available on request