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## **SUMMARY**

My passion for web technologies has shaped my career. I have crafted digital solutions for wonderful clients, household brands and world-class organizations. I take great pride in crafting clean, maintainable, highly readable and reusable code. With strong development skills, a formal education in Visual Communications and a passion for interaction design, I have the ability to uphold art direction, provide direction of my own, and invigorate life into projects using technology. I love what I do, enjoy learning from those I work with and sharing my own experience.

## **EXPERIENCE**

### **Showing Time — Software Engineer**

*Chicago, IL - 9/16 - Present*

Joining Showing Time in 2016 I brought my Front-end and UX skillset to an organization and teams lacking expertise in both these areas. Working closely with the Mobile team, and contributing to other engineering teams, I've consistently pushed the quality of User experience iterating on recommendations, participating in design and UX meetings and implementing updates and new features (using technologies like Angular 1 & 2, Web pack, and working with a .Net environment on Mac OS).

- Cross platform mobile app: <http://www.showingtime.com/showingtime-mobile-app>

### **270 Strategies — Sr. Web Developer**

*Chicago, IL - 2/15 - 9/16*

At 270 Strategies I've used my experience to oversee the development cycle for a handful of client websites, ensuring presidential-level quality is achieved. I've helped 270 develop an optimized and consistent multi-tenant environment for a variety of technical approaches (using Wordpress, AWS, CRM toolsets, CI workflow, and more). Additionally I lead the development of 270's website using Python and Django.

- [generation-freedom.org](http://generation-freedom.org)
- [indivisible.us](http://indivisible.us)
- [270strategies.com](http://270strategies.com)

### **Organizing For Action — Web Developer**

*Chicago, IL - 4/13 - 1/15*

Using my web development skills, I've made an impact at the grassroots movement that formed from Obama's reelection campaign. Collaborating with the Digital Web and Design teams at OFA's headquarters I help to fulfill the day-to-day rapid-response needs of the organization as well as contribute to the conception and production of short term and long term digital projects. Using tech such as JS, HTML5, Bootstrap 3, Grunt and Python + Django, I've set the organizations UI web standards, contributed to the development of web applications and have participated in re-launching barackobama.com, twice.

- [barackobama.com](http://barackobama.com)
- [barackobama.com/deniers](http://barackobama.com/deniers)
- [organizing-for-action.myshopify.com](http://organizing-for-action.myshopify.com)

### **Obama For America 2012 — UI/UX Web Engineer**

*Chicago, IL - 9/12 - 11/12*

Working within the engineering team at the Obama for America headquarters I've helped to re-elect a president. Participating in the Agile software development workflow I was part of the effort to prepare Dashboard for election day. My role included IA/UX direction and UI development using HTML5, CSS3 and Javascript as well as some application work with ROR3. In addition I participated in GOTV in the days leading up to the election.

- [dashboard.barackobama.com](http://dashboard.barackobama.com)

### **Cuban Council — Sr. Web Developer**

*Chicago, IL - 8/09 - 8/12*

At Cuban Council I work closely with remote clients and teams to prototype, define, and execute website projects to strict company standards, as well as industry standards. I provide senior level interactive development solutions for world-class clients using technologies that include HTML5, CSS3, jQuery, PHP (Kohana, Codeigniter and various other MVC frameworks) and Python (mostly Django). Some projects that I have played a significant role in include:

- [davines.com](http://davines.com)
- [bungalux.com](http://bungalux.com)
- [theamericanfilmcompany.com](http://theamericanfilmcompany.com)

### **Freelance — Web Developer and Designer**

*Chicago, IL - 5/05 - Present*

Over the years I have independently driven a number of large and small projects. Working directly with clients to outline and complete projects to my own strict standards, I've used a variety of technologies and crafted a variety of solutions - Here are several website projects:

- [hufworldwide.com](http://hufworldwide.com)
- [theticketrumba.com](http://theticketrumba.com)
- [freefrank.org](http://freefrank.org)

### **Design Kitchen — UI Developer**

*Chicago, IL - 5/08 - 4/09*

I worked within a small team to produce websites for established brands, providing expert knowledge of user interaction and related technologies. I participated in creating company UI production standards as well as serving a key role in producing a digital presence for a number of great brands.

- [butterball.com](http://butterball.com)
- [motorola.com/business](http://motorola.com/business)
- [craftsman.com](http://craftsman.com)

### **Pixel (Leo Burnett) — Interactive Developer**

*Chicago, IL - 6/06 - 5/08*

As a developer at Pixel, I produced an array of dynamic brand oriented websites and banners, and used my expert knowledge of interactive technologies and trends to contribute to the technical and creative development of many digital marketing campaigns.

- [pets.com](http://pets.com)
- [thejoyofeating.com](http://thejoyofeating.com)
- [earthgrainsbread.com](http://earthgrainsbread.com)

## **EDUCATION**

### **Loyola University Chicago**

*Chicago, IL — 8/00 - 6/05*

BA in Fine Arts, Focus in Visual Communications, Minor in Sociology

## **SKILLS**

Proficiency with Mac OS X, UNIX, Linux. Thorough understanding of object oriented programming and MVC architecture. Prowess in developing standards-compliant, dynamic, data-driven web applications. Expertise with version control systems - particularly Git. Very comfortable at the

command-line.

## **TECHNOLOGIES**

Web Standards + HTML5 + CSS3, Less + Sass, Javascript + Coffeescript + Js Frameworks: jQuery + Backbone + Underscore + Angular + React + Google App Script, Grunt + Gulp, Node.js + NPM, Python + PIP + Django + Flask, Ruby on Rails, PHP 5 + WordPress + MVC Frameworks, MySql + postgresSQL + NoSql + MongoDB, Redis, CMS Tools, Web Service + E-Commerce + CRMs, Adobe Suite: Photoshop + Illustrator, lots more.

**References available on request**