

# Ron Sala

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## SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Full Stack Web Developer with knowledge of Ruby and JavaScript frameworks. With experience in large and small organizations, I recognize the importance of strong teamwork and empathy with coworkers and clients. I'm fascinated with learning, honing my craft, and using creativity and skill to make life better.

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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

JavaScript, TypeScript, React, Redux, Next, Ruby, Rails, SQL, Storybook, RSpec, Capybara, Cypress

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## TECHNICAL PROJECTS

**Restaurant** - Github: [Backend](#) | [Frontend](#) | [Blog](#) | [Demo](#)

A multi-tenant restaurant management app allowing proprietors to list menus and take orders.

- Leverages React for reusable, modular development.
- Manages application state with Redux Toolkit and Immer.
- Applies Material-UI for fast, consistent design and Cypress for E2E testing.

**TriviaTrader** - Github: [Backend](#) | [Frontend](#) | [Blog](#) | [Demo](#)

Allows users to play trivia games and post their own.

- Utilizes Ruby on Rails for a backend API allowing access to a Postgres database.
- Renders frontend dynamically with vanilla JavaScript for easy adaptability for project collaborators.
- Uses JSON Web Tokens and localStorage to store encrypted user information client-side.

**I Remember When** - [Github](#) | [Blog](#) | [Demo](#)

Facilitates sharing accounts of history from those who lived it.

- Employs Ruby on Rails for frontend and backend, letting users create, read, update, and delete within permissions.
- Allows signup and login via password or Google OAuth using Devise to secure user data following best practices.
- Borrows styles from Bootstrap for design aesthetics.

**WordWise** - [Github](#) | [Blog](#) | [Demo](#)

A word-knowledge game Ruby Gem (downloaded 6K+ times from [rubygems.org](https://rubygems.org)).

- Scrapes words and definitions from a dictionary website using Nokogiri.
- Presents each word and several definitions in the form of a multiple choice quiz in a command-line interface (CLI).
- Gives an option to review all words and their definitions and origins to educate as well as entertain.

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## EXPERIENCE

**Saint Vincent's Behavioral Health Services**

Westport, Connecticut

Senior Mental Health Worker

11/2010 - Present

- Provide direct patient care as a Nationally Certified Psychiatric Technician within a multidisciplinary team setting.
- Improve operations by educating staff and working with management on technological solutions.

**Bounteous**

Chicago, Illinois

React Apprentice

11/2021 - 2/2021

- Trained in frontend development, including React, Redux Toolkit, accessibility, CSS animations, unit testing, giving and receiving code reviews, and demos.
- Did client work remotely with a global team using Agile methodologies, Atlassian, and Azure DevOps.

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## EDUCATION

**Flatiron School**

New York, New York

Online Self-Paced Software Engineering Bootcamp

Graduated 7/7/2021

**Eastern Mennonite University**

Harrisonburg, Virginia

B.A., English major, Journalism minor