

Rita Toussaint

Enjoys coding, creating and researching and wants to improve the world.
Looking for front-end and full-stack roles.

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EXPERIENCE

Intrepid English — *WordPress Developer, Incident Responder*

March 2023 - PRESENT

- Ensured the highest level of quality assurance by maintaining detailed records of app tests and plugin errors.
- Minimized downtime and kept clients happy by responding quickly and effectively to incidents.
- Optimized user experience and functionality by resolving rendering errors on both the desktop site and app.
- Expanded Intrepid English's digital reach and accessibility by successfully uploading the app to the Apple App Store.

CodeClan — *Full-Stack Developer*

November 2022 - March 2023

- Learned how to write full-stack programs and websites in 16 weeks
- Successfully completed three impactful projects, including a studio booking app, an animal adoption app, and a text-based RPG.
- Delivered a compelling presentation on neurodiversity awareness to students and staff.
- Thrived in a dynamic team environment at CodeClan, consistently delivering high-quality work within tight deadlines.

WithYouWithMe — *Pega Architect*

March 2022 - October 2022

- Successfully managed an onboarding management solution which is still being used by the company.
- Improved relations between neurodivergent and neurotypical staff as part of the company Neurodiversity Steering Group.
- Taught new hires how to write good User Stories, improving user experiences across projects.

PROJECTS

Disney+ Clone — *Next.js, JavaScript, Vite, Tailwind*

Here, I learned how to use Tailwind, Next.js and Vite. I used The Movie Database's (TMDB) API to populate arrays of films and TV shows which could be clicked through and clicked on to view more information on each film or programme.

furFinder — *React, JavaScript, MongoDB*

This was my first group project and we were instructed to build a CRUD app in React using APIs. My team and I decided to build a Tinder-like app where users could apply to adopt a cat or a dog from a shelter and the shelter could see and archive those applications as well as add, update or delete animals depending on their adoption status. We created our own database of animals in MongoDB.

SKILLS

bug tracking
project management
app publishing
Agile
advocacy
teaching

STACK

React
Next.js
JavaScript
Java
Python
Flask
Node.js
MongoDB
SQL
PostgreSQL
Tailwind
Bootstrap

LANGUAGES

French (Fluent)
Spanish (Intermediate)
German (Beginner)

NoteClan — *Python, Flask, SQL*

This was my first project at CodeClan. We were instructed to build a simple CRUD app using Python and Flask and I chose to build a studio booking service based on my own experiences in booking studios. The user could add, edit or delete bookings for three studios.

ArrrrRPG!— *React, Java*

This was my final project where I wrote the backend in Java Spring and the frontend in React. I wrote the characters and story, designed the battles and had to carefully plan the game logic.

EDUCATION

Making Space — *Key Art*

2023

This was a short video course I applied to take. Here, I learned what goes into making effective commercial art and how to use typography, lighting and colour theory to grab the viewer's attention and tell them a story in just one picture.

Glasgow Clyde College — *Cybersecurity NPA and PDA*

2021

Learned the basics of cyber hygiene and cyber security, including social engineering, networks and simple penetration testing.

University of Glasgow — *MLitt Comparative Literature*

2019

In doing this course, I learned about the challenges that go into translation in marketing as well as localisation in video games. I also successfully gave presentations and led two seminars, which improved my skills in public speaking, project management and teaching.

University of Glasgow — *MA French*

2017

Achieved French fluency and learned how to conduct research effectively.

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

Outside of work, I take singing lessons, crochet, embroider and play both video games and tabletop RPGs. I am also a big animal lover and donate monthly to two cat charities.