Sam Woolson

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About Me

I've combined my experience as a UX/UI designer and a Front-end developer to bring ideas to life by reducing the friction between design and implementation. I thrive on using creative thinking and problem-solving to bridge gaps and create meaningful connections.

Skills

Consulting & Leadership

- Leading stakeholders through clear, data-informed design processes.
- Driving cross-functional collaboration to achieve user-centered, business-driven goals.

UX/UI Design

- Conducting user research, competitor analysis, and creating high-impact interfaces.
- Expertise in accessibility (WCAG standards, A11y) and usability best practices.

Development

- Front-End: HTML, CSS, SCSS, JavaScript, React, Vue.js.
- Back-End: Node.js, PHP, SQL, NoSQL (MongoDB), APIs (REST, GraphQL).
- **CMS**: Drupal, WordPress, Sitecore.

Tools

- **Design**: Figma, Adobe CC (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, After Effects), Adobe XD.
- **Development**: Git, Docker, Bitbucket, GitLab CI/CD.
- Collaboration: Confluence, Jira, Asana, Notion, Harvest.

Work Experience

Independent Contractor

UX/UI Designer | 2022 - Present

- **Mobile App UI Design**: Delivered intuitive, accessible interfaces for a large academic medical center, optimizing user experience for healthcare professionals and patients.
- **E-Commerce Website Design**: Developed user-friendly interfaces for small businesses, increasing user engagement and driving conversions.

• **Consulting & Strategy**: Advised businesses on UX/UI best practices to stay competitive in a fast-changing digital market.

Red Eye Press Print Shop

Owner and Designer | Oct 2024 - Present

- Founded and managed a print business specializing in t-shirt designs, signage, posters, and branding materials.
- Developed a unique brand identity to stand out in the competitive e-commerce market.

Cozibear Bakery & Crafts

Designer | Sept - Oct 2024

 Created a cohesive brand identity, logo, and hand-painted signage to enhance the in-person customer experience.

Modea

UX/UI Designer II | Aug 2023 - Sept 2024

- Collaborated with academic medical centers to create WCAG-compliant, responsive designs.
- Worked within agile sprints and expanded CMS platform expertise.

Matchbox Design Group

Intern | May - July 2023

 Contributed to website style guides, creative brainstorming, and front-end issue resolution using JavaScript, HTML, CSS, and PHP.

Education

Savvy Coders Certificate – Full-Stack Development | 2023

Designlab UX Academy Certificate – UX/UI Design | 2022–2023

BFA in Graphic Design (Concentration in Illustration) | 2011–2016