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Favorite Twitch Streamers



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Super Mario Sunshine Speedrunner



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Ex LoL pro from Team Solo Mid

RECOMMENDED PROJECTS



London Museum
Explorer
React-based Web App



'Edge' Smart Collar
& Companion App
IoT JS mobile app w/
hardware sensors

Hi Twitch team,

I'm writing in hopes of being your JavaScript engineer! I feel that my experiences in front-end development and UI / UX design lend me a skillset that's suitable for the duties of the position, and I'd like to cover the points of description and offer my experience in response:

You have experience working on the web front-end.

In-between large-scale digital catalogues and Single-Page Applications, I've worked on a variety of web environments to help create different experiences. These front-ends have all involved some combination of HTML/CSS/JavaScript, and even the occasional PHP.

You have strong CS fundamentals and value rigor in engineering.

I recently completed my B.A. in CS at U.C. Berkeley, and although JavaScript isn't known for parsing binary trees or implementing hash functions, I do have a background in algorithms, networks, and the like.

You have opinions about the user experience

Most certainly - I think UX and the UX process are both vital and, moreover, fun! Collaborating with UX researchers and visual designers to create, test, and iterate on features is something I would hope to experience and assist with. I try to implement UX methodologies in my own work, and you can check out my process on my personal site.

Experience working with modern JavaScript frameworks strongly preferred

JavaScript has really exploded within the last few years; frameworks and workflow tools have elbowed each other into the limelight to vie for developers' attention. I try my best to stay abreast amidst the churn; my personal toolbox of choice is currently React / Webpack / Babel to take advantage of ES6 goodness with features like fat arrow syntax to handle my bindings, and make functional React components.

You are intellectually curious, passionate, inventive, and eager to grow

This is easily the most important to me. Computer Science and Tech reach far too wide and deep for any one person to claim knowledge to everything. That comforts me – I'll never know everything, but everyone I meet can teach me something new and broaden my horizons a bit more. It's the same reason for why I love UX; when interdisciplinary work happens, everyone wins!

I'd be elated to work at Twitch and learn from some teams that share my passions for front-end endeavors, video games, and cute emotes. Thanks for your time and consideration!

~Steven Baum

