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jQuery Core Lead & Senior Software Engineer

Senior Software Engineer with 15 years experience and strong fundamentals in both front-end and back-end technologies, specializing in JavaScript (and TypeScript). Enjoys building scalable web infrastructure and fast, beautiful websites and applications.

Experience

PYLON AI | LEAD SOFTWARE ENGINEER | DEC 2016 - PRESENT

- Engineered <u>Worbler AI</u>, a complex, responsive AI media editor in Next.js to create custom video and audio using Pylon's generative AI models. Maintained 95-100% Performance, SEO, and Accessibility scores in automated testing.
- Delivered <u>Spokestack</u> websites running on GatsbyJS, Next.js, and GraphQL and open source tools for use in Node.js and React Native to allow for easy integration with Spokestack's APIs built by the back-end team. Wakeword activation time kept below 0.2s across platforms.
- Developed a suite of React Native apps demonstrating Pylon's voice technology, such as Radiobrain, a music app with wakeword voice activation and voice commands, and Tasted and Bartender, companion apps for Alexa skills (with feature matching web apps).

OPENTABLE | SENIOR SOFTWARE ENGINEER | DEC 2013 - NOV 2016

- Spearheaded the initiative to automate performance testing using <u>webpagetest.org</u> of all OpenTable websites, improving site load performance by at least 20%.
- Pioneered a migration of the codebase to modern JavaScript, which led to a reduction in the total JavaScript payload of opentable.com by 15-25%.
- Collaborated with teams to maintain and produce web applications, websites, widgets, and servers, using AngularJS, React, Node.js, Babel, and Smartling for internationalization.

QUICKCUE | LEAD FRONT-END ENGINEER | DEC 2011 - DEC 2013

- Played a major role in OpenTable's acquisition of Quickcue; developed the first version of a native iPad app for restaurants to manage waitlist and reservations, without any prior experience in Objective-C.
- Constructed the Quickcue website, using Node.js, Express, and PostgreSQL, with a speed index kept below 3s.

Projects

JQUERY

- Lead a small team in the maintenance and engineering of jQuery Core, a JavaScript library used on 80-90% of all websites worldwide, and other jQuery projects.
- Modernize the infrastructure of all jQuery websites, improving security and ease of maintenance, and help maintain the jQuery CDN, serving over 2B requests per month.
- Completed an overhaul and simplification of Continuous Integration and testing infrastructure for all active jQuery projects, decreasing the number of dependencies needed for testing by 12%; decommissioned old, unused services which reduced testing cost to zero.

HEALTHYWEB.ORG

- Orchestrated the development of healthyweb.org, a tool geared towards improving the overall security of the web not only to encourage upgrading jQuery, but to promote security audits across the board.
- Built with Astro, Svelte, and Puppeteer and hosted serverless using Cloudflare Pages and Cloudflare Workers.

PANZOOM

- Created a JavaScript library to add panning and zooming functionality to HTML and SVG elements using CSS transforms, enabling hardware acceleration; over 38k weekly downloads on npm.

Education

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, MAY 2010

Covenant College, Lookout Mountain, GA

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Skills

JavaScript & Typescript, Next.js, Svelte, React, Gatsby, Astro, React Native, GraphQL, TailwindCSS, Amazon Web Services, Cloudflare, Docker, Playwright, Webpack, Rollup, Vite, CircleCI, GitHub Actions, Agile