Vladislav Nikolov

Front-End Team Lead and Software Engineer

Delivering high-quality solutions that exceed expectations and contribute to the success of every project I undertake.

> " It's not a bug, it's a feature "
> Unknown

Interests:

- 🎸 Making and enjoying music
- ⚽ Sports and lots of walking
- 🎮 Video and board games
- 🎬 TV and Cinema enthusiast
- 📷 Keeping up with latest tech news
- 🚀 Endlessly curious

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Languages

🇧🇬 **Bulgarian**
Native

🇬🇧 **English**
Fluent

🇩🇪 **German**
Elementary

For more information and projects please refer to my website and LinkedIn profile.

Experience

Oct 2023 - Present 📍 Sofia, Bulgaria
Front End Team Lead
MYX

Managed a team of engineers, delivering high-quality features bi-weekly in an Agile environment while presenting progress to stakeholders. I led development through code reviews, focusing on code quality, performance, and developer experience, and mentored team members to foster growth and collaboration.

Contributed to building complex SPAs, including a geospatial navigation and management app built with React and Cesium.js for 3D visualization and various other internal applications. To maintain consistency, we implemented strict developer conventions, including conventional commits, semantic versioning, and automated pipelines with GitHub Actions for deployments and changelog generation.

Additionally, I enhanced REST APIs, refactored backend logic with ORMs, and performed PostgreSQL configurations, bridging the gap between front-end and back-end teams effectively.

Jan 2020 - Oct 2023 📍 Mirfield, UK
Full-Stack Web Developer
The Bigger Boat

From WordPress and WooCommerce to modern headless JAMstack architectures using Node, Gatsby, Astro, Alpine, React, TypeScript, Tailwind and Netlify. Leveraging CMS platforms like Contentful and Storyblok through RESTful and GraphQL APIs.

Additionally, I managed projects from start to finish in a KANBAN system, honing my skills in time management, emotional intelligence, and exceeding client expectations. I also supervised and mentored fellow developers, gaining a deeper understanding of clean code, SOLID principles and project structure.

Feb 2019 - Jan 2020 📍 Manchester, UK
Web Developer
Spotlight Studios Ltd

Extensive CMS development with WordPress and WooCommerce. Proficiency in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, AJAX, PHP, Git, Gulp and NPM. Effectively communicating with other developers and designers. Taking charge and executing tasks within ~50% of the time assigned. Communicating directly with clients on project pitches.

Dec 2017 - Apr 2018 📍 Bradford, UK
Project Manager
University of Bradford Digital Working Academy

Managing a small team of graphic designers while collaborating with the Bradford City Council. As the team leader, I ensured seamless coordination between the designers, while our collaboration with the council offered valuable insights. Conducting usability tests helped us create intuitive designs, and deliver visually appealing assets and responsive websites.

Jun 2016 - Jan 2017 📍 Bulgaria (Remote)
Data Entry and Assistant
Teelime

Supporting a busy e-commerce business by efficiently creating and managing product information, pricing details, inventory updates and important SEO data into the company's database and throughout online shop platforms like Amazon and Etsy.

May 2015 - Sep 2015 📍 Bulgaria (Remote)
Frontend Web Developer
E-legance

Working on web projects with strict deadlines in a collaborative team environment. The agile workflow helped me gain proficiency in various web technologies such as HTML, CSS, PHP and JavaScript, along with various text editors, plugins and the Adobe Creative Suite.

Latest projects

Shuffle Party (Private)
My Harvard CS50x project that uses the Spotify API to create smart collaborative playlists.
🔗 github.com/shuffle-party

Escape Studios
Revitalised web experience for a VFX, animation and games art training and teaching college.
🔗 escapestudios.ac.uk

Skills

Development	React Svelte Cesium	Unit Testing Agile Development State Management	Git / NPM	Vite / CI/CD	Node / PHP	SQL / TS
Other	Storybook Tailwind UX & UI	MailChimp Marketing SEO	Project Management Software Architecture Team Leadership		Adobe Creative Suite Design Systems Figma	

Education

Harvard University (edX)
Computer Science (CS50)
2024

University of Bradford
Web Design & Technology
2019

SSLIE Atanas Burov
Accounting & Finance
2016