Andrew Walpole

Lead Front-End Engineer



Technical Skills:

FRONT-END DEV

JavaScript
TypeScript
HTML & CSS
Vue / React / Svelte
Astro / SSG / SSR
Nuxt / Next.js / Vite
Web Components
Single-Page Apps
Custom Animations

BACK-END / DEVOPS

Node.js / Deno / Serverless
REST / GraphQL / APIs
AWS / Azure / Google Cloud
Wordpress / PHP & MySQL
NoSQL / Headless CMS
git / github / bitbucket
Vercel / Amplify / Cloudflare
Application Architecture

LEADERSHIP

Talent Management
Strategic Planning
Agile / Lean PM
Design Thinking
Rapid Prototyping & MVPs
Product Management
Time / Effort Estimation
Presenting / Consulting

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Professional Summary:

I'm a full-stack principal-level web developer:

- I'm an HTML and CSS expert, adept at modern, accessible, responsive front-end layout and best practices.
- I write clean and performant JavaScript and Typescript; from DOM interactions and complex application logic to back-end API endpoints and Node.js scripting.
- Proficient in application architecture and digital strategy, from static or server-rendered websites to complex single-page applications that deal in large sets of content types and relational data models.
- From scrappy bespoke designs to detailed, modular design systems, I've played a key part in defining the product development processes and addressing the gap between UI/UX and the technical needs and limitations of platforms.
- I'm an excellent team collaborator be it project managers, product owners, QA, DevOps, or 3rd-party vendors, I know how to share information in a way that is productive and meaningful.

I'm a highly skilled and experienced engineering leader:

- From technical coaching and code reviews to goal planning, critical conversations, and candid feedback, I excel at talent management by helping team members to grow professionally and find meaning and excellence in their work and career.
- I lead teams for the long term; together we avoid burn-out and grow productivity through continuous communication and alignment, setting clear goals and milestones, and promoting work/life balance.

I have a proven track record of success with my strategic planning skills:

- I synthesize strategic insights from business needs and know how to operationalize ideas into action and execution.
- The details matter! I promote deep knowledge sharing between the business and the industry to uncover the important details around technologies and operations that can build a competitive edge.
- I am at my best when being challenged with ownership, accountability, and clear strategic goals.

Career & Education:

Director of Web Development

Fingerpaint 2023 - Present

Director of Web Development

Traina (wearetraina.com) 2020 - 2023

Manager, XD & Lead Developer

Jack in the Box inc. 2009 - 2020

Adjunct Professor, Web Development

The Art Institute of CA, UCSD Extension 2009 - 2019

Web & Flash Developer

Intercasting Corp 2006 - 2009

Data Admin & Interactive Developer

i-Safe America, inc. 2005

Software Engineering Intern

Napster 2004

B.S. Web Design & Interactive Media

The Art Institute of California - San Diego 2005-2008

A.E. Software Engineering

The Oregon Institute of Technology 2003-2005

Let's talk!

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Work Showcase:

I encourage you to read my blog, which is mostly centered around web development and leadership topics at:

andrewwalpole.com/blog

You can find a large showcasing of front-end work at:

codepen.io/walpolea

A few websites I have recently built are:

wearetraina.com
velsera.com
calicolabs.com
celmodmmtrials.com
makethehrscount.com

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Detailed Work Experience:

FINGERPAINT • DIRECTOR OF WEB DEVELOPMENT • 2023 - PRESENT

- Led a team of five developers, delivering performant, accessible websites and applications for the pharmaceutical industry.
- Architected, built and managed Astro and Vue-based website boilerplate and component system to align dev team to standard practices and optimize project builds with reusable functional componentry.
- Built company-wide project data syncing application with Node.js and AWS Lambda, regularly syncing Workamajig project data with AirTable databases to enable detailed reporting and project analysis.
- Critical technical consultant for the MarTech department, fostering collaboration between developers, digital producers, and client teams.
- Key strategic decision maker for company's web development standards and best practices, ensuring consistency and quality across projects.

TRAINA • DIRECTOR OF WEB DEVELOPMENT • 2020 - 2023

- Led a five-member web development team to build complex, high-quality, accessible, performant client websites; maintained low-stress, low burn-out.
- Architected and led digital strategy efforts for clients; advised clients directly on adopting technologies to fit their business goals.
- Developed high-performing websites using many modern web stacks including WordPress, Astro, Eleventy, Nuxt, Next.js, and Gatsby.
- Consistently met rigorous timelines and partnered successfully with designers and account managers to prioritize and manage features, timelines and project budgets.
- Key strategic decision maker of the company's future growth strategy.
- Implemented successful transition to agile work processes, increasing project productivity and collaboration.

JACK IN THE BOX INC. • MANAGER, XD & WEB DEV LEAD • 2009 - 2020

- Led a five-member design and development team to develop user- and business-driven web-applications from concept to launch.
- Architected and led development and design of a custom in-house training platform with Angular, Contentful and Vue, saving over \$300k per year over an off-the-shelf solution. Used agile processes to launch and iterate on applications quickly.
- Cut six-figure budget by 25% while exceeding team goals and meeting business needs by turning strategic goals into prioritized, actionable project plans.
- Developed interactive training content and assessment apps and tools to support the needs of restaurant operations and HR.

UCSD EXTENSION / AICASD • ADJUNCT PROFESSOR, WEB DEV • 2009 - 2019

 Built and taught HTML5 & CSS, responsive web design, JavaScript, JQuery, mobile programming concepts, business of digital media, and advanced ActionScript 3.0 courses.