

DUSTIN DOWELL

Frontend Engineer

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EXPERIENCE

LEAD FRONTEND ENGINEER

Alqen - Des Moines, Iowa

June 2021 - Present

- Maintained an existing Vue 2 application fixing bugs and adding features.
- Designed and implemented a completely new Vue 3 application that wraps the pieces of the legacy dashboard as part of an incremental adoption strategy.
- Ported legacy Vue 2 code to the new Vue 3 application.
- Implemented onboarding and payment flows for new users and subscriptions.
- Wrote a SSE (Server Sent Events) server in Node that receives miscellaneous events from our API service and forwarded them to the frontend.
- Created a user impersonation system using JWTs for administrators.
- Took a leadership role and helped the team with strategizing and organizing our application at all levels.

FRONTEND DEVELOPER AND DESIGNER

Self-employed - Des Moines, Iowa

November 2019 - June 2021

- Learning and creating new apps, libraries, and frameworks.
- Various freelance development and design.

SENIOR SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

Access Publishing Inc. - Johnston, Iowa

February 2016 - November 2019

- Designed unique aesthetic mobile-first web apps.
- Implemented a variety of responsive web apps from the ground up for aggregating and leasing/financing semi-trucks, semi-trailers, and heavy machinery.
- Worked on Node.js microservices to automate data uploads of hundreds of thousands of site listings and images daily from each client's unique data structures.
- Heavily optimized web apps for SEO, mobile devices, and slow 3g connections, using micro-frameworks and a custom static rendering solution.
- Designed and implemented inventory management and leasing/financing dashboards for large semi-truck and heavy machinery dealerships and lessors.
- Worked with many frameworks and platforms like Vue.js, Hyperapp, Angular, Node.js, Express, Koa, Micro, Netlify, Heroku, AWS, and MongoDB.
- Managed targeted social media marketing campaigns across popular platforms.

- Implemented fine-grained conversion tracking with Google Analytics event system.
- Implemented an email notification system using Sparkpost.

FRONTEND DEVELOPER AND DESIGNER

Self-employed - Indianola, Iowa

August 2014 - February 2016

- Various freelance design.

FRONTEND DEVELOPER

SevenVerbs - Urbandale, Iowa

April - August 2014

- Converted existing static web designs into WordPress, Drupal, Sitefinity, and Joomla.
- Designed and developed original websites, business cards, logos, infographics, and other printed and digital documents.
- Added features, tweaked designs, and updated content on existing apps.

TECHNICAL

LANGUAGES & FRAMEWORKS

- Extensive knowledge of JavaScript and JS frameworks like Vue, React, Hyperapp, and Mithril as well as their ecosystems.
- Experience with Node.js and some of it's popular frameworks like Express, Koa, Micro.
- Experience using platforms like Netlify, Vercel, Heroku, Serverless, Hasura, Supabase, and many more.
- Lots of recent experience writing file servers and SSE servers using Deno!
- Some experience using TypeScript.
- Hello world's completed in Ruby, Python, Elm, and Rust.
- Tons of experience with CSS and CSS preprocessors.

CREATIVE SOFTWARE

- Experienced with all kinds of creative software like Blender, Autodesk 3ds Max, Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects, Procreate, ArtStudio Pro, Medibang, and more.

CONTENT MANAGEMENT

- Lots of experience with database as a service systems like Hasura, MongoDB, Supabase, and some experience with Firebase.
- Experience with all the classic systems like WordPress, Drupal, Sitefinity, and Joomla.
- Some experience with less popular miscellaneous systems like Netlify CMS, Grav CMS, Pico, Kirby, and Craft.

DESIGN

WEB DESIGN

- Deep understanding of how to design responsive and adaptive mobile-first web apps.
- Knowledge of how to create and organize UI kits and implement style guidelines.
- Love for minimal CSS.

GRAPHIC DESIGN

- Great sense of design and acute attention to detail.
- Lots of experience designing for both print and digital.

EDUCATION

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

2012 - 2014

DMACC Ankeny Campus

- Graphic Design with Web Emphasis

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

2008 - 2012

Southeast Warren Jr. / Sr. High School