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PERSONAL SUMMARY

Summary

10+ years of programming experience; 5+ years leading interdisciplinary teams in the delivery of sites such as Dodge.com; Creative agency experience; Marketing experience that includes advertising and analytics.

Skills

General programming experience in the following 6 languages: JavaScript, Perl, PHP, Java, C++, and Python; Broad experience with CSS, HTML5 and APIs, Git, Unix scripting, and SQL (RDBMS experience includes Sqlite, MySQL, Oracle, and Paradox); Demonstrated leadership and coaching skills, interpersonal skills, and analytical skills; Especially adept at communicating with customers and non-technical business stakeholders.

About Me

I [read avidly](#) in business, software (Web, UI/UX), and psychology. I was a gifted child; I'm autodidactic—taught myself programming and calculus—and generally enjoy learning.

Interesting personal experiences: Sailed the Chesapeake. Ran a 3:18 marathon. Began Cessna flight training. Traveled by Amtrak from DET to SEA. Nearly qualified for Mensa (97th).

WORK EXPERIENCE

[Sabbatical](#) Grand Rapids, MI

Student Jun 2015 - Present

- Brushed up on algorithms and data structures in [HackerRank](#).
- Completed formal and non-formal education in mathematics (including calculus and statistics).
- Completed formal and non-formal education in C++ and Python.
- Completed Cessna ground school.
- Performed general programming for several small-business customers

[Verisign](#) Reston, VA

Software Engineer III Mar 2013 - Sep 2014

- Created and maintained web pages within the mdns.verisign.com domain.
- Lead collaboration between front and back end developers, UI designers, and project managers in daily scrum.
- Technologies include: Java (PrimeFaces), JavaScript (jQuery), XML and others

___ Work Experience Continued

[GE \(Barbarian\)](#) Seattle, WA

Freelance Oct 2012 - Oct 2012

- Creation of a page using WebGL models for the GE.com domain
- Technologies include: HTML5, CSS, JavaScript (jQuery, three.js, WebGL), and others

[ADP Cobalt](#) Seattle, WA

Software Engineer IV Mar 2012 - Jun 2012

- Education in fundamental properties of SEO and conversion optimization.
- Module development in JavaScript
- Technologies include: JavaScript (jQuery, Jasmine, SVG), SEO, and others

[Digitas](#) Detroit, MI

Principal Software Engineer Mar 2011 - Jun 2011

- Liaison to Compuware for Onstar.com (Promoted for my contribution while at Compuware)
- Continued work creating and modifying web pages within Onstar.com and GM.com domains.
- Met with senior leaders in Boston to learn proprietary platform for hosting GM advertising sites.
- Technologies include: HTML5, CSS, Java (Liferay), JavaScript (jQuery, Ext JS), XML, XSLT, and others

[Compuware](#) Detroit, MI

UI Team Lead Jun 2009 - Mar 2011

- Participated in meetings with Covisint customers, partners, and suppliers; Liaison to Digitas.
- Coordinated the work of our 5-person UI development team within the larger Covisint software team.
- Collaborated with developers from Digitas to replace the full Onstar.com website with a fresh design.
- Collaborated to modify Omniture.js to support a novel analytics implementation
- Wrote an AJAX application that polled data from the Chevy volt.
- Created and modified web pages in Onstar.com and GM.com.
- Technologies include: HTML5, CSS, Java (Liferay), JavaScript (jQuery, Ext JS), XML, XSLT, and others

[Organic](#) Bloomfield Hills, MI

User Interface Engineer Jul 2008 - May 2009

- Created and modified web pages within the Chrysler, Dodge, and Jeep websites.
- Modified and maintained internal web-based software tools.
- Technologies include: HTML, CSS, JavaScript (jQuery, mootools), Perl, XML, XSLT, and others

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REFERENCES

Verisign Reston, VA

Brian James
Engineering Manager

He has great technical skills. He is passionate about creating great user interfaces. He is also passionate about teams and good teamwork. Ben has improved the user interface of the MDNS product as a result of his involvement. He has also contributed to the overall improvement of our development process. He has helped identify pain points in our planning and requirements gathering and documentation. As a result, the team has seen some improvement in clarification of UI requirements. Ben has great skills, some of which I don't feel we have been able to fully take advantage of. I hope that can change in the future. We are lucky to have Ben as part of the development team.

Compuware Detroit, MI

TJ Stevens
Technical Project Manager

Ben is one of the most talented developers I have worked with; especially skilled in front-end web technologies. He has consistently demonstrated the ability to direct teams to produce incredibly complex results inside of ridiculous time frames. Last and probably most importantly, Ben was a key player in our client interactions helping to shape clear expectations and a sense of confidence in the times that our projects were under the most stress.