Zachary Cohn

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Dynamic full-stack software engineer passionate about combining technology and creativity to deliver innovative solutions. Additionally, skilled technical theater designer with expertise in lighting, sound, and projections (https://zachwcohn.com/cvs/theatre.pdf)

SKILLS

INTERNSHIPS

Amplify Education

Remote

Software Engineer Intern

June 2024 - August 2024

- Delivered new functionality for Desmos Classroom, enabling teachers to spend less time building curriculum and more time with students.
- Collaborated with designer, project manager, and other engineers to develop and implement product requirements

Creative Conners, Inc.

Warren, RI

Software Engineer Intern

June 2023 - August 2023

- Enhanced Spikemark scenic automation software with dark and colorblind modes, improving usability and accessibility in theater production environments
- Refactored component styling system, improving app maintainability and design flexibility

Center Stage Software

Remote

Web Developer Intern

June 2022 - October 2022

- Initiated development of customer-facing ticketing web app, improving user access and sales efficiency
- Migrated native Windows application to a web-based product, enhancing accessibility and functionality
- Innovated seat selection interface through research and experimentation, improving user experience and usability

FREELANCE AND CAMPUS WORK EXPERIENCE

McKelvey School of Engineering, Washington University in St. Louis

St. Louis, MO

Head Teaching Assistant

September 2022 - Present

Course: CSE 330S/503S: "Rapid Prototype Development and Creative Programming" (Full-Stack Web Development)

- Led a team of TAs, conducted office hours, in-class help sessions, and addressed 300+ student questions per semester on Piazza.
- Developed auto-grading systems, reducing grading time by ~94%, and updated and created course materials for improved relevance and student experience

Student Life Newspaper, Washington University in St. Louis

St. Louis, MO April 2024 - Present

Senior Web Editor

Oversaw website maintenance, updates, and content, ensuring high engagement and improved user experience.

- Led development of games studlife.com, redesign initiative, and developed bespoke web apps and WordPress integrations
- Implemented an org-wide directory and Jira tracking, improving communication, collaboration, and project management.

Artwork and Operations Management Platform

Remote

Freelance Developer

January 2023 - August 2023

Expected Graduation: May 2025

- Directed development of an artwork and operations management platform, improving inventory management, sales monitoring, and gallery-client interaction.
- Collaborated with client team to design and develop features, ensuring alignment with client vision and needs

EDUCATION

Washington University in St. Louis

St. Louis, MO

Bachelor's in Technical Theatre and Computer Science

PROJECTS

Automated Moving Light Calibration

Real-time sensor system to automate tedious theatrical moving light calibration, positioning

Theatrical Lighting Console Voice Control

Voice recognition and control for ETC consoles with Vosk over OSC/UDP

Remote Note Printer

Hardware and software project to remotely print messages with thermal printer and Raspberry Pi