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Portfolio: https://zaingova.github.io/zaingova-react-portfolio/

Innovative, task-driven full-stack web developer with 8+ years experience as a professional chef, looking to secure a full time position as a full-stack web developer. Equipped with strong problem-solving and leadership skills, and a proven track record of overcoming difficult challenges with creative and innovative solutions.

Skills

HTML5, CSS, JavaScript ES6+, SQL, NoSQL, MongoDB, MySQL, Express JS, GraphQL, React JS, Bootstrap CSS, Tailwind CSS

Portfolio

Learning Words | https://github.com/zaingova/group-project-learning-words | https://zaingova.github.io/group-project-learning-words/

- Summary: An interactive English learning app that lets a user search for words, and it presents them with a definition and a phonetic audio sound (if available through the API)
- Role: Front-end styling and JavaScript Logic
- Tools: JQuery, Materialize CSS, Bootstrap CSS, Free Dictionary API, Thesaurus API

SVG Logo Maker | https://github.com/zaingova/zaingova-SVGLogoMaker

- **Summary**: Using the Inquirer package, users can answer a series of questions to generate a generic but personalized logo
- Role: Sole Author
- Tools: Inquirer JS, JEST

Freelance Platform | https://freelance-platform-5f9607a54217.herokuapp.com/

- Summary: Application that allows users to create a profile, add skills/projects to their account and hire freelancers/work on other users' projects
- Role: GraphQL typeDefs/resolvers and styling
- Tools: Apollo Server, GraphQL, React JS, Node JS, Tailwind CSS, MongoDB

Experience

Piccolo Piano Pizzeria, Toronto— Chef De Cuisine

October 2022 - January 2023

- Created the structure and standards regarding ordering, inventory par levels, recipe costing, developing yearly budget for hourly labor and overseeing capital expenditures, ensuring the business remained profitable and successful
- Brought this restaurants ratings on Google and Resy to the highest-in-the-company (out of 5 restaurants)
- Worked with a small team of myself and 2 cooks to serve between 50-100 people a night, and executed over 30 private events with unique and customized menus

Piano Piano the Restaurant, Toronto— Line Cook, Jr. Sous Chef, Sous Chef

October 2021 - October 2022

- Assisted executive chef in kitchen operations, food and stock ordering, and kitchen supervision, effectively establishing a clear chain of command and ensuring maximum efficiency during service
- Co-managed a busy kitchen of over 25 line cooks, fry cooks, pastry chefs, grillers, and prep cooks.
- Helped plan and coordinate large buyout-events of anywhere between 100-250 guests

Fishbone By The Lake, Stouffville—Line Cook, Jr. Sous Chef

June 2014 - August 2021

- Worked on the sauté station in a fast-paced and high-volume restaurant
- Called the board, while staying organized and maintaining a high standard of food across all stations
- received and processed deliveries to the restaurant
- Delegated staff and managed the kitchen when the chef was not present to ensure the kitchen ran smoothly and effectively

Education

University of Toronto, Toronto, ON— Full-Stack Web Development Bootcamp - Certificate of Completion

April 2023 - July 2023

• Successfully completed the UofT Full-Stack Web Development Bootcamp (full-time; 3 month program). Covered the MERN stack.