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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Software Engineer @ BeenVerified | New York, NY Feb. 2015 - Present

- + Development support for BeenVerified.com's suite of apps leveraging public records
- + Tech Lead for Upgrades & Reactivations engineering team; mentor junior engineers
- + Maintain Jenkins continuous integration server

Software Engineering Intern @ Shapeways | New York, NY Nov. 2014 - Jan. 2015

- + Developed features for Shapeways.com, the leading 3D printing marketplace and community
- + Worked with design team to develop and implement UX solutions

Game Designer / Producer @ Studio Mercato | New York, NY Jan. 2013 - Present

- + Rapid concept prototyping; Closed sale of a prototype game project to a third party
- + Run product demonstrations for press and consumers at festivals and playtest events

Contract Game Designer @ Dashjump | New York, NY Nov. 2010 - Dec. 2015

- + Designed iOS app interactions for a government-run digital currency initiative
- + Created user flows and interactions for an Agile training web app for a major US bank
- + Pitched and designed game interactions for an iOS loyalty reward app for a national retailer

Production Manager, Tech Editor @ Enzyme Media | Portland, OR Jan. 2010 - Sept. 2010

- + Designed functional requirements for news website built with Wordpress
- + Researched, implemented and maintained Google DoubleClick for Publishers (DFP)
- + Wrote and reported tech stories; established sitewide SEO best practices

Product Manager @ THQ*ICE | Agoura Hills, CA Dec. 2008 - Dec. 2009

- + Oversaw complete localization of a Korean-language game into English
- + Recruited, contracted and managed external writers for additional copy and content needs

TECHNICAL SKILLS

| Languages
Ruby, JavaScript, PHP, Python, HTML, CSS, SQL

| Certifications
Certified Jenkins Engineer

| Frameworks
Rails, Sinatra, Bootstrap, Devise, jQuery

| Tools
Heroku, Jenkins, Vagrant, Amazon S3, Git, Github, Gitlab, Jira, Confluence, DevTrack, Google DFP

| Testing
TDD, BDD, Rspec

| APIs
NYT, Twitter, Forecast.io, Wunderground, Twilio

| CMS
WordPress, ExpressionEngine

APPLICATIONS BUILT

worldview (world-view.today) - Get real-time snapshots of any major city's weather, photos, news and tweets

Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, jQuery, APIs (NYT, Twitter, Forecast.io, Wunderground), HTML, CSS

SpamEncoder (spamencoder.com) - Encode/decode secret messages hidden in fake spam email text

Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, jQuery, Bootstrap, HTML, CSS

shrtb.red (shrtb.red) - An extra-sweet cookie-themed URL shortener

Ruby on Rails, Bootstrap, Rspec

WhenToWearIt (whentowearit.com) - Keep track of your fashion decisions and who's seen you in what

Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, jQuery, Devise, Amazon S3, Bootstrap, Paperclip, HTML, CSS

EDUCATION

The Flatiron School, 2014
Web Development Program

SUNY Binghamton, 2002-2005
Bachelor of Arts, English
Magna Cum Laude

GAME PROJECTS

The Last Monster Master, 2013-2014

250,000-word text adventure

Play: choiceofgames.com/last-monster-master

Crystal Brawl, 2013-2016

2v2 capture-the-flag meets strategy

Trailer: youtube.com/watch?v=y4DVApqA9MY

INTERESTS

- + UX
- + Rock climbing
- + Scotch
- + Writing
- + Spreadsheets
- + Sculpture
- + Game development