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TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer - *STATIONHEAD*

March 2016 - Present

- Built out RESTful backend for native iOS application using Laravel and MYSQL
- Normalized database tables and performed extensive query optimization
- Led small team developing responsive react/redux front-end web view

Technical Lead - HR Privacy Solutions

Aug 2004 - Sept 2008

- Created computer applications to scrape government databases and generate reports on companies' global privacy compliance
- Built entire company's digital footprint including their logo, website and newsletter
- Designed website to enable US and Canadian privacy consortium to receive, evaluate, and publicize good HR data privacy practices

PROJECTS

Cider Spot (Rails, React, Flux) | live | github

Cider Review website inspired by BeerAdvocate.

- Pagination and infinite scroll with backend filtering to reduce server load
- RESTful, namespaced API routes with nested JSON templating
- AWS-integrated file upload using Paperclip and Figaro to alleviate bandwidth

Smashteroids (JavaScript, HTML5) | live | github

Asteroids game made with HTML5 Canvas

- Ship's fire function is throttled for realistic effect and added difficulty
- Combination scoring for destroying asteroids quickly with increasing multiplier

Bianca.js (Javascript) | github

A lightweight javascript testing framework

- Uses pure JavaScript with no external dependencies for maximum portability
- Relays error feedback and full stack traces for easy debugging
- Allows expectation chaining with matchers for intuitive UX

SKILLS

Ruby, Rails, JavaScript, React, Laravel, PHP, jQuery, HTML5, CSS3, SQL, Git, TDD

EXPERIENCE

Client Care Supervisor - *Bideawee*

Sept 2008 - Aug 2015

Led a team of 12 staff members through onboarding, training, and scheduling;
overseeing daily activities and assisting when needed to ensure success

EDUCATION

Web Development, App Academy

Fall 2015

Immersive software development course with a < 3% admissions rate and a focus on web development and agile methodologies. Strong emphasis on code quality and design patterns. Received perfect scores on all 9 weekly assessments.

MS Candidate, Information Systems, Baruch College

Spring 2015

Relevant Coursework: Principles of Database Management Systems, Digital Media Management, Information Technology Audit

BA Sociology, Clark University

May 2008

INTERESTS

Skiing, kayaking, vegetarian cooking, mobile phones, and animal welfare