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Summary

Ruby/Rails, TypeScript, Performance

Experience

Staff Software Engineer
GitHub

Jul 2018 - Present (5 years 1 month)
Building highly performant, well tested, maintainable code for the most popular parts of GitHub.com
using Rails, Typescript, and newer libraries like ViewComponents.

Software Developer
The Gnar Company

Oct 2017 - Jul 2018 (10 months)
Worked with many clients to build out their products, including:

- Medical research app for large university -- React Native
- Family memories app featured on SharkTank -- Rails

Many more engagements using Rails, React, React Native, Typescript, Javascript.

Lead Software Engineer
LevelUp

Mar 2017 - Oct 2017 (8 months)
Lead the integrations team to roll out new integrations with large nationwide restaurant chains.
Managed the backend for our custom apps teams to enable mobile food ordering for these large
restaurant chains.

Senior Software Consultant
LevelUp

Aug 2016 - Mar 2017 (8 months)
Built out integrations with many different restaurant backend APIs and LevelUp's backend. Worked
closely with restaurant's tech teams to roll out new partnerships smoothly and on time.

Developer
thoughtbot

May 2014 - Mar 2017 (2 years 11 months)

Worked with many clients to help them ship new products and maintain their existing codebases. Also worked on many thoughtbot open source projects.

Ruby on Rails Developer
Metis

Feb 2014 - May 2014 (4 months)
• Build Rails applications using error driven development
• Write user stories to build client apps on a short timeline while working in small teams
• Collaborate using github pull requests
• Learn proper coding syntax techniques and how to recognize code smells
• Utilize SOLID Object Oriented Design and many clean code techniques

Senior Systems Administrator, IT Manager, Chicago, San Francisco, Boston
R/GA

Feb 2011 - Dec 2013 (2 years 11 months)
• Maintained and supported IT infrastructure
• Managed support staff locally and remotely (125+ users)
• Managed and deployed new cloud services through Azure
• Developed "How-To" Wordpress knowledge-base used by more than 1500 employees worldwide

Systems Administrator
Krista K's Ice Cream

1997 - 2012 (15 years)
• Introduced, designed, and launched touch screen point of sale system.
• Established full 1Gbps switched network with power over ethernet for VoIP phones.
• Set up full Asterisk based PBX system with 15 extensions and auto attendant.
• Implemented Windows 2008 Server running AD, DHCP, DNS, WDS.
• Succeeded in delivering all servers in a virtualized environment on VMWare ESXi 4.1.

Help Desk Specialist
Shady Hill School

2009 - 2010 (1 year)
• Architected sound system for gymnasium
• Created a "how-to" video on the sound system and its use: http://vimeo.justinkenyon.com
• Managed printer maintenance and supply inventory
• Designed and introduced social networking site (Elgg based)
• Delivered on all software and hardware learning requests by faculty and staff
• Guided music elective classes and co-led boys tennis team

Systems Administrator
Braver PC

2008 - 2010 (2 years)
• Managed daily support for 150+ users
• Built and implemented servers using Windows 2003/2008
• Deployed domain controllers, Exchange 03/07, SQL, terminal, and file servers

• Established on-call emergency and daily support for down systems to clients in all of MA and Southern NH

Education

University of Massachusetts Lowell

BS Information Technology, Information Technology

2007 - Present

Metis

Ruby on Rails Developer Program, Ruby on Rails

2014 - 2014

Metis operates an intensive Ruby on Rails web development program created and taught by thoughtbot, a globally recognized Ruby on Rails consulting and development firm. The course consists of 12-weeks of intensive on-site instruction and 12-weeks of post-graduation professional development.

Licenses & Certifications

Apple Certified Macintosh Technician - Apple Computer, Inc.

Metis Ruby on Rails Program - thoughtbot

Skills

Ruby on Rails • SASS • Ruby • Vim • tmux • Git • PostgreSQL • SQL • HTML • CSS

Honors & Awards

Best Ping Pong Tournament Organizer

Feb 2013

Voted best ping pong tournament organizer by my colleagues at R/GA San Francisco!

Organized a fun tournament that involved the whole office in debatably the most productive month of work at R/GA SF.