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Relevant Programming Experience

Front End Web Developer, Xigo

August 2011 to Present, Kalamazoo, MI

I am redesigning and refactoring of front-end code for an enterprise telecom-optimization web application. Primary responsibilities are building and implementing new user interfaces using JavaScript, HTML, and CSS. Occasionally write with C# and ASP.NET when necessary. Created an internal style guide for demonstrating and documenting re-usable CSS styles. Implemented customizable viewing options/behaviors in JavaScript for improved user experience.

Lead Web Developer and Co-founder, Life Catalyst

October 2011 to Present, Kalamazoo, MI

This is a project created for a Startup Weekend competition. As a prize for winning, we were awarded office space and legal support to help us continue. My role in the company is UI and UX design, front-end development, as well as vision and strategy. The project is still in beta testing and will likely be ready soon.

Developer and Sys Admin, XiNet

November 2002 to August 2005, Kalamazoo, MI

I wore several hats at this job, including front-end development, back-end development, systems administration, research, accounting, and customer relations.

Additional Professional Experience

Music Producer / Sound Engineer, Freelance

July 2007 to August 2011, Chicago, IL

Worked closely with musicians to record, edit, and mix their songs. A have experience with industry standard digital audio workstation software such as Apple Logic, Digidesign Protools, and Ableton Live. I am also familiar with recording hardware and software plug-ins, and have strong composition, production, and arrangement experience.

Music Education, Freelance

March 2007 to August 2011, Various

Taught fundamental music skills to hundreds of students. Refined successful communications skills and effective teaching methods. Lessons were both in person and over Skype video chat, with a focus on using technology to aide in the learning process.

Education

Bachelor of Music, Jazz Performance, Northern Illinois

August 2005 to May 2009, Dekalb, IL

Primary study was jazz guitar performance, with additional emphasis on audio engineering, composition, and music pedagogy.

Expertise

Semantics

Progressive
Enhancement

Standards
Compliance

UI/UX

Responsive Design

Primary Tools

JavaScript/jQuery

HTML5/CSS3

Currently Working On

Ruby on Rails

PHP/CodeIgniter

C#/ASP.NET