Thomas Kilgour

Web Developer

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Summary

I am a web developer who has focused primarily on front-end technologies. I am driven to create elegant user interfaces that are simple to navigate and interact with, no matter the screen size or the user's accessibility needs.

I have extensive customer service experience and can strike up a conversation with anyone. When not in front of the computer, you'll find me outside – riding my bike, hiking in the woods, or camping with my family.

Experience

Web Developer

Nov 2018 present

KPDI Digital

grocery store.

Started as a contractor working on a large-scale cannabis distribution project, then was hired as a permanent employee after four months. I have worked on complex product management systems for industries such as cannabis, footwear and oil/gas, as well as customer-facing interfaces for some of the biggest Canadian retailers. Primarily, these projects have all been built as component-based SPAs. My responsibilities have included:

- rapidly prototyping and developing features that meet client's needs
- communicating directly with clients on an ongoing basis
- working with/managing small teams of developers and designers to deliver quality web applications
- producing documented and tested code to pass on to project owner's development teams to maintain and extend

Web Developer	Apr 2017 -
Interad Media Design Corp.	Aug 2018

Worked as a front-end web developer on projects primarily for a single major Canadian bank. My responsibilities included:

- building web sites from designs using client-provided content
- building interactive banking calculator widgets
- working in close communication with project managers and clients
- writing clean code that can be read by other developers

Lake O'Hara Lodge	May 2016 -
Lodge Worker	Oct 2016

Worked directly with customers in the front office and as a server in the dining room of a backcountry lodge in the Canadian Rockies with a small, tight-knit team of dedicated workers.

Raise the Root Organic Market	Oct 2015 -
Retail Associate	May 2016
Helped customers discover fresh local organic food in a small, independently run	

Skills

Languages

- Javascript
- HTML / CSS / Sass

Libraries / Frameworks

- Vue.js / Nuxt.js
- React
- Node.js / Express
- Rails

Databases

- MongoDB
- PostreSQL

Design

- Responsive design
- Photoshop
- InDesign
- Ilustrator

Other

- Accessibility Auditing
- HTTP / RESTful APIs
- Automated Testing
- Git / GitHub
- JSON
- Chrome DevTools

WriteDesign

Graphic Design Assistant

Occasional work as an assistant for an independent print graphic designer.

- batch photo editing in Photoshop
- graphics manipulation and creation in Illustrator
- large multi-page layout using InDesign
- worked independently on a project-by-project basis

Portfolio

Wedding RSVP app

A custom RSVP app I built in two weeks for our wedding guests. The goal was to provide a streamlined and mobile-friendly experience for our guests to provide us with a few key details we need and to build an admin dashboard that gave us an overview of responses.

- Front-end built with Vue.js and Semantic UI
- Back-end uses Node.js, Express, and MongoDB
- Deployed using Heroku and notifications using the Pushbullet API

Electrical Exam Prep (in progress)

(Github link)

An app I am working on with a friend who is an electrician to help users study for the Red Seal Industrial Electricians Exam.

- Serverless API (AWS Lambda hosted) that randomly generates a simulated 20question exam from a MongoDB question bank and checks the answers on submission
- Front end is built with Vue.js

In Season

An online market for farmers to create profiles and connect directly with new customers. Built as a final project for Lighthouse Labs with Ruby on Rails for the back end, and Materialize UI framework for the front end.

Education

The Chang School of Continuing Education, Ryerson University	Jul 2017 - Aug 2017	
Professional Web Accessibility Auditing		
Online accessibility auditing course sponsored by my employer.		
Lighthouse Labs Immersive Web Developer Bootcamp Eight week full-time immersive web development course.	Jan 2017 - Mar 2017	
Concordia University Computer Science	Sep 2014 - May 2015	
Completed one year of computer science credits including Intro to Progra		

Completed one year of computer science credits, including Intro to Programming, System Hardware, Digital Logic, and Web Development courses.