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SUMMARY

In 2020, the pandemic hit and I lost my job in advertising. Stuck at home, I began teaching myself how to code. I didn't expect to enjoy it - let alone make a career out of it - but as soon as I saw that first *Hello, world* appear on my screen, I knew that this was what I wanted to do with the rest of my life. After spending a few months hungrily eating up tutorials and experi-

menting on my own, I enrolled in a web development program at a local college and never looked back.

My passion is building websites and applications that are reliable, dynamic, beautifully designed, and above all, provide a seamless and enjoyable user experience.

SKILL SET

General: Full Stack Web Development, Responsive Web Design, UI/UX Design, Mobile App Development, Database Management, RESTful APIs, SEO, Debugging, Graphic Design

Programming Languages: HTML, CSS/SASS, JavaScript, Java, PHP

Front End: React, React Native, Redux, jQuery, Bootstrap, Material-UI

Back End: NodeJS, Next.js, Express.js, Apache

Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Firebase, Prisma

Content Management: Wordpress, Drupal, Sanity

Testing: Mocha, Jest

Other: Git, Adobe Creative Suite, VS Code

PROJECTS

Designo: A corporate website for an international design firm. *Features form validation, a database to store contact form submissions, a secure admin page with a message inbox, and interactive maps via the Google Maps API.*

Audiophile: An e-commerce website for an online retailer selling audio gear. *Features a shopping cart that uses local storage to maintain state after refreshes, and a headless CMS to manage products and orders.*

Invoicer: A full stack web app for creating, sending, and managing invoices. *Features OAuth user authentication, and functionality to email user's clients with a server-generated invoice PDF file attached.*

QuizMe: A full stack web app for people who love taking and making quizzes. *Features email/password*

user authentication, user-uploaded avatar images, and quizzes that can be liked, saved, filtered, and searched.

Where In the World: A web app for researching country data including flags, population, currencies, and more. *Features a light/dark mode option.*

Inspirational Homepage: A web app to help users start their day on the right foot. *Features real-time weather data (based on user location) from the Open Weather API, and an interactive to-do list.*

Rock, Paper, Scissors: A single-page web app for the popular game, with some new rules added. *Features several CSS transitions and animations.*

All projects are fully responsive and browser agnostic.

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EDUCATION

Information Systems Technology: Web Design and Development, C.S.C. (Northern Virginia Community College, 2021, *Summa Cum Laude*)

Communication Arts, B.F.A. (Virginia Commonwealth University, 2012, *Cum Laude*)

Full Stack Developer Certification (FreeCodeCamp.org, 2020)

Web Developer Skill Path Certificate (Codecademy.com, 2020)

High School Diploma (Woodberry Forest School, 2008, *Cum Laude*)

EXPERIENCE

Account Manager, Your Health Magazine (2015 - 2020): Built and managed an advertising client base of 200+ doctors & health professionals • Consulted with clients to develop marketing strategies to reach target demographics • Designed or supervised the design of hundreds of print ads • Assisted in the writing and editing of thousands of educational articles • Helped manage the company's social media accounts, email marketing, and website content • Assisted in the layout and proofreading of each weekly edition

Freelance Designer/Illustrator (2012 - Present): Professional work includes posters, logo design, ad design, children's book illustration, portraits, album artwork, and more • View online portfolio at www.ciskanikjfwixsite.com/portfolio

Caricature Artist, Kaman's Art Shoppes, Inc. (2013)

Gallery Assistant, VCU Art's Anderson Gallery (2008-2012)