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EXPERIENCE

Freelance, Toronto — *Developer*

April 2025 - PRESENT

In addition to my self-managed custom design and development projects, I'm also a WordPress Developer contractor at an agency:

<https://thebluegoose.co/>

The Hatchery Creative Labs, Toronto — *Developer*

May 2023 - April 2024

At this agency, I grew my skills in Shopify custom themes, Prismic CMS, the MapBox API, and Tailwind CSS.

Hypenotic, Toronto — *Developer*

May 2021 - April 2023

Here I learned Vue, Nuxt, the WordPress API, Strapi CMS, and server management from the command line.

Official Community, Toronto — *Developer*

May 2018 - April 2021

I built custom WordPress themes for well-known musical artists such as Céline Dion.

Heart & Hustle (Pound & Grain), Toronto — *Developer*

November 2017 - May 2018

During my 7 month contract, I worked on custom WordPress (PHP) themes, added visual polish to each project, while remaining driven by improving UX.

Lesli Ink (now LikeLike Studio), Toronto — *Developer*

July 2017 - November 2017

At Lesli Ink, I learned about GSAP and building interactive scrolling animations.

78 Digital, Toronto — *Developer*

April 2016 - July 2017

I learned best practices in HTML, CSS, JS, php, and Accessibility.

JS FRAMEWORKS & LIBRARIES

- React & NextJS
- Vue & NuxtJS
- PostgreSQL Databases
- CI/CD: Vercel, Netlify

LANGUAGES

- HTML5
- JS (ES6+), TypeScript
- CSS and SCSS, Tailwind
- PHP & MySQL

WORDPRESS & OTHER CMS

- Custom themes and plugins, ACF
- Gutenberg blocks from scratch in React
- Headless WordPress using GraphQL or REST API
- Handling form data with APIs
- Strapi CMS
- Prismic CMS
- Shopify (Liquid)

MORE SKILLS

- Accessibility
- Animation & SVGs
- Node.js servers
- Version control, Git
- Planning, data reqs

EDUCATION

HackerYou (Now Juno College), Toronto

January 2016 - March 2016

Front-end Development Immersive Program

HackerYou (Now Juno College), Toronto

September 2016 - December 2016

Intensive JavaScript course taught by Wes Bos

Web Animation Workshops, Toronto

June 2017

Weekend web animation workshop in SVGs and GSAP taught by Sarah Drasner and Val Head

MENTORSHIP & VOLUNTEERING

Canada Learning Code, Student Mentor

March 2016 - April 2019

I served as an in-class mentor, providing one-on-one help to beginners learning HTML, CSS, PHP and WordPress.

HackerYou (Now Juno College), "Bootcamp Buddy" Program

May 2017 - June 2018

After completing bootcamp as a student, I was an individual mentor to a current bootcamp student for each of the next three cohorts. I volunteered my time as troubleshooter, code reviewer, emotional support and encouragement, industry knowledge, and career guidance.

Epilepsy Toronto, Volunteer Gift Wrapper

December 2019

I completed 16 hours wrapping gifts in the Dufferin Mall in support of this not-for-profit's December fundraiser.

OUTSIDE OF TECH

Visual Art

Drawing and painting, taking fine art courses at OCAD University

Crafts

Fiber art, upcycling found objects

Great Outdoors

Daily visits to the parks around me

Movement

Ballet, yoga, boxing