

ASHTON MONZI

FULL-STACK SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

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ABOUT ME

I am a highly motivated, detail-oriented full-stack software developer who made the transition from graphic design. With six years of previous industry experience, I bring with me strong creative and analytical problem-solving skills. I understand the importance of communication and teamwork, and I hope to leverage that experience in my new career. I am proficient in JavaScript and React and have experience with Python and Django REST frameworks for web APIs. I am seeking a front-end or full-stack position; where I can continue to learn and grow personally and as a developer.

INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS

BARKBOOK - FRONT-END CAPSTONE

A single-page React app built to help dog owners find a playmate for their dog. Users can search a specific neighborhood of Davidson County and connect with another user via direct message to set up a play date. Fido finds a mate that matches their size and energy and the user meets new people.

- Full CRUD React application utilizing React hooks to manage state
- JSON server used as local database
- Styled with CSS3

Tech Stack: React.js, JSON server, Cloudinary API

 [View Live](#)

 [Codebase](#)

use demo@barkbook.com for quick login

STRESSLESS - BACK-END CAPSTONE

A single-page, full-stack React application aimed at helping high-performing individuals tackle their stress. The app helps users bring more awareness to prioritizing themselves, rather than focusing on the ever-evolving demands around them. A community of like-minded individuals will also be in their reach for support and accountability in a social feed.

Tech Stack: React.js, Python/Django, SQLite

 [Client Codebase](#)

 [Server Codebase](#)

SKILLS

- Javascript
- React
- HTML
- CSS
- Bootstrap
- Python
- Django
- SQL
- Git/GitHub
- Scrum/Agile
- Illustrator CC
- Photoshop CC
- InDesign CC
- Illustration

TECHNICAL EDUCATION

FULL-STACK SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

Nashville Software School | APR 2021 - SEPT 2021

Intensive full-time 6-month software development Bootcamp anchoring learning with both individual and team-based projects. Tech Stack: Python/Django; React.js; JavaScript; HTML5; CSS3; SQL fundamentals.

- Utilized Git and Github for version control
- Simulated work-based learning environment
- Emphasis on team-based development in an agile workflow
- Applied knowledge of interpreting existing code

GROUP PROJECTS

TRUNCHEONS & FLAGONS

A medieval drinking game gone digital. Built by a team of four to create a component-based, Vanilla JavaScript and JSON server game application. The application guides users through three rounds of a mock beer pong tournament.

- Participated in pair programming
- Took lead on database management and migrations
- Shared responsibility in project planning, SCRUM workflow, MVP integrity, and a constructive Retrospective
- Utilized GitHub as source-control for smooth integration of modular components

Tech Stack: JavaScript, JSON server

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SENIOR GRAPHIC DESIGNER

The Clever Factory | APR 2020 - MAR 2021

Designed kids' games, activities, every day and seasonal products from initial concept sketches through to the final product and packaging. These products were for global distribution by major retailers such as Target, Walmart, Aldi, and more.

- Took lead on game board development with brainstorming, research, and concept sketches
- Illustrated and created logotypes for packaging
- Product & package concept & design
Concept Sketches, Illustrator CC, Photoshop CC
- Maintained a balanced workflow in a fast-paced environment
Organization, Multi-tasking, Flexibility
- Completed projects ahead of or by deadline
- Setting up files for prepress
InDesign CC, Illustrator CC

GRAPHIC DESIGNER

The Clever Factory | JUN 2018 - APR 2020

Designed kids' games, activities, every day and seasonal products from initial concept sketches through to the final product and packaging. These products were for global distribution by major retailers such as Target, Walmart, Aldi, and more.

- Designed kids' activities and stickers
Research, Critical Thinking, Brainstorming
- Illustrated and created logotypes for packaging
- Maintained a balanced workflow in a fast-paced environment
- Completed projects ahead of or by deadline
- Setting up files for prepress

FREELANCE GRAPHIC DESIGNER

Locomotion Creative | OCT 2017 - APR 2018

Provided support to designers and the web development team by developing designs and marketing assets. Acquired insight into the business of an advertising agency.

- Web design & front-end development
HTML5, CSS, PHP, WordPress CMS
- Social media content creation & analytics
- Designed brochures, newsletters, and apparel
- Provided support in photo retouching and mockups

LEAD GRAPHIC DESIGNER

Francis Communications, Inc. | Arena Imprints
AUG 2014 - OCT 2017

- Directed production art for all in-house screen printing projects with orders in excess of 2500 pieces
- Managed designers in absence of Director
- Increased production art output
Executed designs under budget
- Improved & managed final approval of on-press projects
- Initiated & organized team meetings to improve communication & collaboration amongst the art department
Trained designers in prepress setup
- Completed tasks within tight timelines;
Flexibility, Communication, Collaboration
- Packaged and preflight files for release to outside vendors, printers, & other media partners
- Designed vector & raster graphic elements & illustrations for apparel
Illustrator CC, Photoshop CC

ASSISTANT SHOP MANAGER

Francis Communications, Inc. | Arena Imprints
MAY 2012 - SEPT 2014

- Managed, trained, and led 20 hourly associates
- Assisted with supervising all plant operations
- Checked all work in progress for detail and quality specifications
- Managed priority of orders and operating schedules as work requirements demanded
- Maintained and operated complex 14 and 16 color automatic printing presses

EDUCATION

NASHVILLE SOFTWARE SCHOOL
Certificate of Software Development

BETHEL UNIVERSITY
Bachelor of Science
Management and Organizational Development