

Kristin Valentine

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Senior Full-Stack Engineer

Professional Experience

Vox Media - Senior Engineer II, Editorial Tools

07/2019 - 07/2023, remote

Chorus is Vox Media's custom CMS that supports 5,000 users in publishing 30,000 stories a month, generating 306MM+ page views. Chorus is also a multi-million dollar enterprise SaaS business.

- Led the development and rewrite of large features of Chorus in Vue.js, including refactoring the base autosave functionality
- Led engineering plans and work for the editorial tooling of The Verge's stand-out new feature called Quickposts, which included UI work as well as adding queries in GraphQL in our backend Node app and RESTful endpoints in our Ruby app
- Integrated Mapbox into Vue-based editorial tooling for a new version of Eater Maps, including geocoding and autocomplete address search, visual pin dragging for address updates, venue search, and more

OpenSesame - Senior Front-End Engineer

10/2017 - 06/2019, Portland, Oregon

- Worked closely with design to rewrite all CSS, making our Angular frontend themeable using Sass.
- Led creation of reusable UI component library in Angular and Typescript.
- Led design of a multi-user editing curation experience and recommendation engine and tools.

Daylight Studio - Lead Front End Web Developer

06/2013 - 01/2017, Portland, Oregon

- Built interactive SCORM-compliant courseware written in React and PHP
- Led UI wireframing and technical specification discussions for a custom LMS for Trincherro Family Estates. Developed style guide and front-end templates.
- Implemented best practices, such as the use of style guides and accessibility standards, and wrote and maintained boilerplate front-end codebase for all projects.

Freelance - Designer & Developer

02/2008 - 06/2013, Portland, Oregon

- Lead Designer (contractor on site with Sharp Labs in Camas, WA) - designed and developed smart TV interfaces.
- Created interactive Flash maps and graphs for Marketplace Money, American Public Media.

Skills

Technology: Javascript, Vue.js, Angular, React, Node, GraphQL, Jest, Typescript, HTML, CSS, Git

Design: Usability testing, prototyping, accessibility

Education

Lewis & Clark College, Portland, Ore.

- Bachelor's degree with a double major in visual arts and music performance.

Speaking & Teaching

Guest on Shoptalk Show podcast

2023

- We talked about all things Vox Media and building complex editors.

Product workshop at the OpenSesame User Conference

2019

- Led two-hour-long sessions with customers that gathered feedback on building the criteria around a new course recommendation system

Usability testing workshop at ACT-W

2017

- Walked attendees through a 2-hour workshop, performing usability tests and assessing results.

Co-Instructor - Portland Code School

2015

- Co-Instructed Portland Code School's Advanced Front End Developer Tools course (6 weeks).
- Presented class materials; wrote curriculum and advised in current best practices and tools.

Cohost - PushPull Podcast

2013 - 2017

- Discussed a wide-ranging set of topics from design, development, and copywriting to passion projects, style guides, and social media marketing.