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## Web Developer Profile

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- Web developer with strong project management experience on teams and individual projects to maximize productivity.
- Keen understanding of responsive web design and layout principles to enhance user experience.
- Broad knowledge of markup and programming languages (HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, PHP), Frameworks (WordPress, jQuery, Node.js), operating systems (Windows, Mac, Linux), and web design tools (Adobe Creative Cloud).
- Proven capability to complete the web production life cycle from the client interview to launch.

## Technical Skills

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- **Languages**  
HTML5, CSS3, Sass, Less, JavaScript, PHP, Linux command line, JSON, and [ARIA](#).
- **API Integration**  
*Examples:* [Scraped Daily Kos news articles \(repo\)](#), [manipulated GIFs from Giphy API \(repo\)](#), and [manipulated text from the Bands in Town API usind Node.js](#).
- **Libraries and Frameworks**  
*Front End:* jQuery and React.  
*Back End:* WordPress; Node.js with ExpressJS, and MongooseJS.
- **Databases**  
MySQL, MongoDB, and Rails Active Record.
- **Web Design/Development Software**  
*Design:* Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, and Acrobat.  
*Development:* JetBrains IntelliJ; Sublime Text 2; MAMP; phpMyAdmin; Git command line; GitHub; Atlassian Bitbucket, Confluence, and JIRA; Salesforce; and AWS.
- **Microsoft Office**  
Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, Access, and Visio.
- **Operating Systems/Virtual Machines**  
Mac; Windows; Ubuntu Linux (including command line); and virtual machine software.

## Work History

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| <b>Forescout</b> WordPress Developer Contractor<br>Redmond, WA   | 2019 – Present |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On <a href="http://forescout.com">forescout.com</a> update WordPress themes and plugins to add new features using PHP, JavaScript, HTML, and CSS.</li><li>• Edit and create new pages and blog posts using JavaScript, HTML, and CSS.</li><li>• Deploy from a test website to a live website, sometimes daily.</li></ul> |                |
| <b>Microsoft</b> WordPress Developer Contractor through <b>Mindtree</b><br>Redmond, WA   | 2019           |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fix PHP and JavaScript errors on <a href="http://visualstudio.microsoft.com">visualstudio.microsoft.com</a> by updating WordPress plugins and themes and JavaScript files.</li><li>• Add new pages by updating HTML and CSS.</li></ul>   |                |
| <b>A Place for Mom</b> WordPress Developer Contractor<br>Seattle, WA   | 2018 – 2019    |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Using AWS servers, upgraded WordPress, PHP, and jQuery code to enhance security.</li><li>• Extended custom plugins and PHP code to improve caching and speed.</li></ul>  |                |
| <b>Microsoft</b> WordPress Developer Contractor through <b>Mindtree</b><br>Redmond, WA   | 2018           |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Migrated existing WordPress blogs to a new web host.</li><li>• Developed custom code for WordPress plugins and a new theme.</li></ul>  |                |

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## Work History (cont.)

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**Microsoft** Web Producer Contractor through **HCL America** 2016 – 2017  
Redmond, WA

- Updated pages on Microsoft Windows ([windows.com](http://windows.com)) and Microsoft Office ([products.office.com](http://products.office.com)) websites using HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and jQuery.
- Collaborated with designers, developers, and project managers to meet stakeholder goals. Ensured that each page met accessibility and localization standards for people with disabilities and non-English speakers.

WordPress Developer on **Vitamin T** contract at **Metiza Magazine** 2016  
Seattle, WA

### Developed WordPress Site for **Metiza Magazine**, an Online Magazine for Teen Girls

- Used the [Advanced Custom Fields plugin](#) and [PHP regular expressions](#) so the client could log into the WordPress admin and paste in [Google AdSense](#) code themselves that was optimized for mobile devices.
- For tablet and mobile devices only, on the [homepage](#) used JavaScript and jQuery to make a popup window appear with steps to add a shortcut icon to the device home screen, along with a link inside the popup to close it and not show it again.

WordPress Developer on **Vitamin T** contract at **Copacino+Fujikado** 2015  
Seattle, WA

### Developed WordPress Site for **StrongAgainstCancer.org**, a Pediatric Cancer Fundraising Site for **Seattle Children's Hospital**

- Took Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, and InDesign files created by a designer, to develop a WordPress site with [custom post types](#) coded by hand and displayed on all pages.
- Added features using JavaScript and jQuery including an overlay main menu for mobile devices, a slideshow on the homepage, and fly-out boxes on the Get Involved page.

Production Artist/Web Developer with **Sesame Communications** 2009 – 2014  
Seattle, WA

*\*Note: I was a full-time employee with Sesame Communications, a company that builds, hosts, and offers many online services for orthodontists and dentists. Below is one of the hundreds of websites I worked on.*

### Developed WordPress Blog, Branded Social Networks, and Implemented SEO for **LisenbyOrthodontics.com**

- Developed WordPress blog from scratch including setting up MySQL database and ensuring that its theme matched the rest of the non-WordPress, PHP website.
- Branded and configured social networks including Facebook and YouTube. Also added Google Analytics, Google Webmaster Tools, and meta tag optimization.

## Freelance Projects

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**See MPMinistry.com** 2015

- For MP Ministry, created the logo and website design using Adobe Creative Cloud.
- Developed website using [custom post types](#) and [Sass](#), along with [BrowserStack.com](#) to test on various devices like an iPhone 4, tablets, and Internet Explorer versions.

## Education

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- [Certificate, University of Washington, Coding Boot Camp](#) 2019
- [Seattle Central College, Web Design A.A.](#) 2007 – 2009
- [Western Washington University, English B.A.](#) 1998 – 2002