Rashaun Bennett

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Professional Summary

Staff Frontend Engineer with over 2+ years of experience architecting and developing end-to-end platforms. Proficient in React and Node.js, with deep expertise in web performance, DevOps, and accessibility (AODA/WCAG 2.1 AA). Experienced in owning the full product lifecycle from design to deployment, and consistently optimizing systems for scalability and efficiency.

EDUCATION

Seneca Polytechnic - Applied Arts & Technology

May 2023 – August 2024

Ontario College Diploma in Computer Programming

Toronto, ON

• Cumulative GPA: 3.5/4.0

EXPERIENCE

Full-Stack Web Developer

October 2024 – Present

5052167 Ontario Inc. QA Consultant Services

Toronto, ON

- Developed responsive front-end applications using React, HTML5, CSS3, and Tailwind CSS, ensuring AODA/WCAG 2.1 AA compliance with Wave and Axe.
- Integrated RESTful APIs (JSON) with Node.js/Express, optimizing data fetching to reduce load times by 20% and improve user experience.
- Conducted accessibility audits and UI/UX testing with Lighthouse and JAWS, achieving 95%+ compliance with digital accessibility standards.
- Performed root cause analysis using Chrome DevTools and Postman, reducing downtime by 30%.
- Collaborated in Agile/Scrum teams, leading front-end development and documenting scalable solutions.

Lead Developer & Founder

 $\mathbf{June}\ \mathbf{2020-Present}$

Birdie Bands

Toronto, ON

- Designed, developed, and maintained a complete e-commerce beatstore (birdiebands.com), acting as the sole owner for architectural decisions, development, and operations.
- Achieved optimal SEO performance by utilizing ReactHelmet for server-side rendering and optimizing for Core Web Vitals, ensuring strong web crawler indexing.
- Engineered a full-stack platform using React, TypeScript, and Tailwind CSS on the frontend and Node.js/Express on the backend, with seamless integration of Stripe for payments and AWS S3 for audio streaming.
- Prioritized performance by optimizing audio assets and implementing CDN caching, reducing page load times by 30%.
- Successfully grew the platform's audience and revenue through technical marketing strategies, resulting in over 45M+ streams and \$300K in sales.

Projects

Birdie Bands

TypeScript, Tailwind CSS, React, AWS S3, MongoDB

Live Demo: Project Link | GitHub Repo

• Full-stack e-commerce platform for selling original beats.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Frontend: JavaScript, React.js, Next.js, HTML5, CSS3, Tailwind CSS, jQuery, Bootstrap
- Backend: Node.js, Express.js, MongoDB, REST APIs (JSON)
- SEO & Performance: Core Web Vitals, Web Crawlers, Indexing, Lighthouse
- Accessibility: WCAG 2.1 AA, AODA, Wave, Axe, JAWS, NVDA
- Tools: Git, GitHub, VS Code, Vercel, AWS S3
- Methodologies: Agile/Scrum