# **JOSIAH ZACHARIAS**

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## **SKILLS**

Software: Adept in ReactJs, JavaScript / TypeScript, NodeJS, and HTML / CSS for versatile user interfaces. Trained on REST APIs and GraphQL microservices. Solid full-stack foundation in C++ and Java
Processes: Qualified in build automation and security pipelines for CI/CD (devops), code reviews, Jest unit testing frameworks, performance monitoring, and other software engineering processes
UX Design: Proficient in Figma and Adobe Creative Suite (esp. Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects). Methodologies to innovate ideas into elegant user experiences using the latest tools
Foreign Languages: English and Spanish proficient

#### WORK

#### SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

### **UX Engineer**

Microsoft

Redmond, WA / hybrid

04/21 - 11/22

- Built innovative, responsive, and scalable solutions in SharePoint for 10m+ users via design toolkits and <u>public REST API packages</u> in latest versions of JavaScript ES6 and CSS3
- Designed critical React webpart components for user experiences in Teams with sophisticated UI refinements; launched with over 80% adoption of educators and students in digital classrooms
- Led front-end engineering initiatives on highly-used <u>web-building controls</u> to reduce clicks and panels, leading by example to exhort peers for <u>best-in-class user experience</u>
- Conducted Code Review demos with UI architects; debugged potential issues early by driving initiatives to lead & assist bug bashes; drafted wiki/readme documentation for visibility
- Developed test suites in Jest to enhance performance of the public codebase and security mechanisms for load optimization and cloud deployment strategy

## **Graphic Designer and Web Developer**

Electric Pen Seattle, WA 10/15 – 04/21

- Salvaged over \$100k in projects by creatively pushing boundaries of frontend with novel technologies and solutions for <u>non-profit</u> and <u>multinational clients</u>, building trust through active listening
- Managed a bridge between design and engineering teams to know limits and possibilities of each, insisting on highest standards to achieve highly-performant and responsive web applications
- Created over \$300k in new business offerings for the company with web development and email strategy / campaigns, leading to the creation of a dedicated marketing department
- Incorporated psychology of design in all strategy to make complicated ideas approachable and digestible, learning new tools in JavaScript for data visualization and organization
- Skilled in <u>animation</u>, illustration, UI / UX design & engineering, and researching new ways to provide exceptional visual solutions for clients (e.g. using Lottie to integrate After Effects animations)

#### ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Laboratory Research Manager**

Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Nashville, TN

05/13 - 05/15

- Devised a novel 3D skin tissue model to study pancreatic cancer, resulting in a specialized \$30k cell culture lab in under 3 months and garnering interest as an MD-PhD thesis
- Trained and empowered PhD candidates to use the new model, translating the complex data into statistics and polished visuals to pave the way for publication

#### **EDUCATION**

Master of Computer Science, University of Washington (UW)

2024 (exp)

· Study with emphasis in computer vision, cybersecurity, cloud-based services, and machine learning

**Graduate Certificate in Software Design & Development**, UW

06/2020

**UX Certificate**, School of Visual Concepts

05/2018

Bachelor, Trinity College

05/2012

Double majored chemistry and biology in Honors program; summa cum laude

## **PROJECTS**

- Volunteer developer/designer under Dr. Bill Erdly at University of Washington using Augmented Reality environments for vision-disabled youth in the Native American community
- · Photographer and woodworking volunteer at the Center for Wooden Boats in Seattle
- Experimenting with WebGL to create virtual 3D scenes in parallax to create new forms of art