

Ben Lerchin

summary

Platform-agnostic frontend web developer and graphic designer. Building beautiful, fluid, and scalable online experiences with a focus on creative presentation of digital media. **Pitched, designed and developed** a unique project-management application with **Rails** and **Backbone** that increased employee accountability and efficiency in a hectic deadline-driven manufacturing environment. Currently **design and develop** portfolios and custom websites for artists, art organizations, and creative professionals on a freelance basis.

Online portfolio: benlerchin.com

experience

Ben's Web Productions

Walla Walla, WA and Novato, CA
2011 - Present

Owner, Full-Stack Developer

- › Design and build **immersive media-rich** web experiences for **artists, cultural institutions**, and other **freelance clients**
- › Assist with custom programming for web development **projects**
- › Construct dynamic portfolio websites with Wordpress, Bootstrap, jQuery, and plain Javascript

wallaPopUP Gallery

Walla Walla, WA
September 2013 - June 2015

Founder, Partner

- › Co-founded and organized a community pop-up art gallery showing local artists in Eastern WA
- › Handled day-to-day operations including business legal, accounting, marketing, graphic design, customer relationships, art installation, sales, and other day-to-day operations

Whitman College Yearbook

Walla Walla, WA
October 2010 - December 2011

Founder, Editor-in-Chief

- › Led successful effort to reinstitute the yearbook, last published 13 years prior
- › Designed cover, template, and identity
- › Petitioned student government for funding, support, and office space
- › Trained and managed a staff of 12 students responsible for content and layout of the 120-page book.

Walla Walla Foundry

Walla Walla, WA
September 2013 - June 2015

Web Designer and Developer

- › Pitched, designed, and developed a custom **project management system** solving complex communication, resource planning, and documentation problems
- › Designed and developed a media-rich **portfolio website**
- › Assisted with maintenance of business IT infrastructure

New York Arts Practicum

New York, NY
June - August 2012

Apprentice

- › Assisted artist Ricardo Miranda Zuñiga with production of two new interactive artworks
- › Built and programmed Arduino components for an installation at the New York Hall of Science
- › Modernized outdated web-based artworks from Zuñiga's portfolio

CBS Interactive

San Francisco, CA
June - August 2010

Web Development Intern

- › Assisted with introduction and implementation of company-wide switch to Google Apps for Work
- › Compiled documentation and help pages for users of the new system
- › Migrated and redesigned portions of corporate intranet for a new CMS
- › Built HTML/CSS/JS pages for a proposed new web product

skills

Languages

- › HTML5/CSS3/SASS
- › Javascript
- › Ruby
- › PHP
- › Python
- › Java
- › C++

Frameworks/Libraries

- › Ruby on Rails
- › WordPress
- › React.js
- › Meteor
- › jQuery
- › Bootstrap
- › Backbone.js
- › Marionette.js
- › Drupal
- › Arduino
- › d3.js

Tools

- › git
- › Postgresql/MySQL
- › AWS
- › Heroku
- › Adobe Creative Suite
- › Raspberry Pi
- › vim

Etc.

- › Art Installation
- › Photography
- › Graphic Design

education

Whitman College

Walla Walla, WA
August 2009 - May 2013

Studio Art Major

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