Grant Howard

Managing software teams that build better products and experiences.

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EXPERIENCE

Senior Software Engineer, Graphite, Inc.

JAN 2022 - PRESENT, REMOTE, SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Led engineering team activities such as retrospectives and hackathons. Improved engineering team process and workflow by implementing and leading retrospectives and hackathons, that resulted in standardized code documentation, team progress and solution quality metrics.

Founder/Developer, MTG Cardsmith

MAY 2011 - MAR 2020 (acquired), PORTLAND, OR

A Magic the Gathering TCG card creator and community. Built with PHP, GD2, MySql & jQuery.

Originally an avenue for code experimentation, after 9 years of growth, expanding to over 90K registered members and 1.75M+ custom cards, MTG Cardsmith was acquired in 2020.

Lead Developer/Senior Software Engineer, Foureyes (formerly Adpearance, Inc.)

MAR 2013 - JAN 2022, PORTLAND, OR

Managed an engineering team across multiple languages (Java/PHP), with eight direct reports. Worked with stakeholders to define and document technical requirements, system architecture, and delegated tasks appropriately based on individual strengths and career goals. Ensured sprints/releases were completed efficiently and on time, executing on the company roadmap by consistently delivering engineering solutions that navigated short- and long-term visions.

Also performed as Lead Developer on complex client sites requiring e-commerce, membership accounts, and third-party integrations. Built custom PHP solutions and CMS plugins to solve proprietary business needs.

Primarily backend work on a small agile team using Node/Graphql/AWS for processing over 1M subscribers and 200k emails daily.

Computer Stores NW, Lake Oswego, OR— *Software Developer*

MAR 2012 - MAR 2013

Focus on development, testing, and launch of an in-house Java-based ERP solution.

SKILLS

PHP, Node, Java, Laravel, Yii2, SQL, TypeScript, REST, Sequelize, Graphql

AWS (EC2, RDS, S3+), Payments/Email APIs, Apache/Linux admin, Git

CERTIFICATIONS

AWS Cloud Practitioner

PERSONAL PROJECTS

TherapyDen
Co-Founder/ Developer

A modern progressive therapist directory. Built on Yii2, CraftCMS, AWS, GMaps API, & Stripe.
2018

EDUCATION

Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO
Bachelor of Science in Interactive Digital Media, Computer Science, Networking

SEPT 2002 - APR 2006

Added multiple PHP-based admin utilities to aid content management and increase efficiency.

CARFAX, Inc., Columbia, MO— *Product Developer*

AUG 2008 - MAR 2012

Introduced application features for both carfax.com and carfaxbig.com.

Performed full-stack troubleshooting activities ranging from front-end bugs to data discrepancies.