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## **Tech stack & Skills**

Ruby

Javascript

Hugo

- Ruby on Rails React/Next.JS
- HTML/CSS
   UX/UI Design

Figma

- Project Management
- Public Speaking

#### About

Full-Stack web developer and designer currently working at Homey Technology. I specialise in Front-end development and design with a focus on fast and responsive web products.

# **Relevant Experience**

#### Software Developer & UX/UI Designer | Homey

November 2022 - present

- Working as part of the software development team to scope out and build features primarily using Ruby on Rails.
- Work on the UI/UX Design for upcoming features. I work alongside the project manager to translate ideas into visual concepts using Figma.
- During a transitionary period at the company I took on the role of lead developer, responsible for monitoring production for errors, testing upcoming features, creating releases and scoping out new modules.

#### Bootcamp Manager & Lead Teacher | Le Wagon, London

March 2022 - September 2022

- Oversaw the operation and running of all web developer bootcamps at Le Wagon. Ensuring bootcamps were appropriately
  staffed, major events correctly planned and organised and providing technical support to students and teachers when
  required.
- Management of 30 teaching staff and 60+ students.
- Development of resources to support core course material. This involved curating new content to assist with students learning such as templates and technical guides.

#### Teacher | Le Wagon, London

April 2020 - March 2022

- Delivered lectures on key topics, ensuring that students are supported and understanding the material.
- Responsible for the smooth running of each teaching day and the port of call for teaching assistants.

#### Teaching Assistant | Le Wagon, London

January 2020 - April 2020

- Responsible for coaching students to solve challenging problems using Ruby, Ruby on Rails, SQL, JavaScript, HTML and CSS.
- Explained key concepts to students in a clear and and easy to understand manner.
- Provided feedback on student's code when necessary.

# Projects

Previous freelance work and side projects

**Personal Portfolio |** A static site where I keep my articles that I write on how to create certain effects and link to products that I have made. | Built with: **Hugo, HTML and CSS.** 

https://benmclaren.xyz

**CamillaFitness** | Site for a personal trainer to advertise her business including integrated CMS to allow for easy editing of the site. | Built with: **Hugo**, **HTML**, **CSS**, **Javascript**. https://www.camilla.fitness

Kobras Online store | A WIP Next.js application for an e-commerce store to buy football cards. | Built with: React, Next.js, HTML, Typescript, Vercel, Prisma.

https://next-ecomerce-alpha.vercel.app

# **Coding Education**

### Le Wagon London | Ruby on Rails Coding Bootcamp

October 2019 - December 2019

- 9 weeks, on-site, 10 hours a day coding bootcamp learning **Ruby on Rails**, **HTML5**, **CSS/Sass**, **Bootstrap**, **JavaScript**, **jQuery**, **SQL**, **PostgreSQL**, **MVC architecture**, **OOP**, **git**, **GitHub**, and **Heroku**.