Betsy Ming-Lai Lam

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Specializing in robust, handcrafted HTML, CSS & JS, bringing beautiful designs to life.

Experience

Senior Web & UX Developer

Threadless

December 2014 - Present

Senior Developer

VSA Partners

December 2012 - December 2014

Front-End Developer

The Nerdery

April 2012 - December 2012

Front-End Engineer

Threadless

November 2009 - April 2012

UI Designer/Developer/BA

NVISIA

August 2008 - November 2009

UI Designer/Developer

Geonetric

April 2007 - July 2008

Miscellaneous Experience

Volunteer

Non-profit writing & tutoring center for kids 826CHI, Chicago, IL

May 2014 - 2015

Rock Climbing Instructor

Formula Fitness Club, Chicago, IL

September 2011 - 2012

Music Writer

The Gazette, Cedar Rapids, IA

April 2007 - August 2008

Assistant Adjunct Professor

Elements of Art college course

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

August 2007 - May 2008

Instructo

Summer drawing intensive for high school students The San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA

June 2004 - August 2004

Collegiate Gymnast

Earned student-athlete scholarship junior year, coached by Liang Chow. University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

August 1996 - May 2000

Languages, Libraries, Frameworks

FluentConversationalBasicHTML5PythonRuby/RailsCSS/SassPHPJavaJS/jQuery.NETDjango

Speaking Engagements

#ilooklikeadeveloper

General Assembly, Chicago, IL

September 2016

Intersection of Design & Technology

General Assembly, Chicago, IL

September 2015

Published Work

Coding for Artists, blog post Coding in the Wild by CodeHS

September 2018

How to Soften a Fall, personal essay

The Butter, edited by Roxane Gay

February 2015

Chance of Precipitation, drawing

Soul Pancake by Rainn Wilson, Devon Gundry & Golriz Lucina

New York Times Best Seller

October 2010

Education

Master of Fine Arts - Painting

San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA

2004

Bachelor of Fine Arts - Painting, with Honors

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

2001

Bachelor of Arts – Journalism & Mass Communication, minor Spanish

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

2001

Interests

Rock climbing, making art, writing, good TV.