

Ben Zelinski

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Profile

I'm a Software Engineer based in Cleveland, OH. I'm the co-creator of *Campion*, an edge-deployed, circuit-breaking middleware that helps distributed architectures fail gracefully. I have experience with multiple cloud providers, such as Cloudflare (*Workers, KV*) and AWS (*SDK, Cloudfront, IAM, Lambda@Edge, DynamoDB*).

Skills

Backend (*Node.js, Ruby, Rails, SQL, Express, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, RESTful API's*)

Frontend (*Javascript (ES6), JQuery, React/Redux, HTML/CSS, Pug, Bootstrap*)

Cloud (*AWS, Cloudflare, Heroku, Digital Ocean*) | **Tools** (*Github, Postman, artillery.io*)

Professional Experience

Co-Creator, Software Engineer, *Campion*  2020 – present

- Co-authored *Campion's* Case Study: <https://campion-breaker.github.io/>
- Co-created *Campion*, an edge-deployed, circuit-breaking middleware that helps distributed architectures fail gracefully
- Designed and built on both Cloudflare and AWS platforms
- Built using Node.js, React/Redux, published to NPM
- Designed and built CLI interface for easy deployment, and GUI interface to view metrics
- Operates as a middleware proxy injected into the request/response cycle
- Speed/Load tested using *artillery.io* over a VPN, HTTP methods tested through Postman
- Designed and built AWS architecture to deploy on Lambda@Edge
- Entire project built using remote team communication and Gitflow


Full Stack Software Engineer, *Freelance* | *Self-Employed* 2019 – present

- Developed open-source software using Node.js, Express, Ruby, Rails, Sinatra, PostgreSQL, React/Redux, vanilla JavaScript, HTML, and CSS
- Dayllo - a project manager inspired by Trello built with Rails and React/Redux
- Postit - a Reddit-like application built with Ruby on Rails
- Todos - a todo tracker built with Node.js, Express, JavaScript, jQuery, Handlebars

Various Management Roles in Hospitality and Wine Industries 2004 – 2019

- Co-founded The Bee's Knees Baking Company - NYC
- Wine Director and Manager at Mustard's Grill - Napa, CA
- Sommelier - Del Frisco's Chicago || Harvest Grunt - Sonoma, CA

Education

Launch School, <https://launchschool.com/employers>  2019 – 2020

Mastery-based program teaching programming with a strong emphasis on fundamentals.

BFA Dramatic Performance, *College-Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati* 2000 – 2004

Awards

Eagle Scout, BSA 365 2000

Eagle Project of the Year for Simon Kenton Council