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## SKILLS

- Javascript
- Node.js
- React
- mongoDB
- PostgreSQL
- Git
- HTML
- CSS
- Client Engagement
- B2B Sales (Wholesale)
- B2C Sales
- Strategic Planning
- Hospitality Operations
- · Team Management
- Instructional Training

## **EDUCATION**

- French Pastry School, 2011 L'Art de la Patisserie, Chicago, IL
- UCLA, Aerospace Studies, 2010

### RECOGNITION

- Star Chef's Nominee Philadelphia, 2019
- Best Baker in America Food Network, 2021
- **Top Pastry Chefs** FabAZ, 2021
- TM of the Month Loews Chicago Hotel, 2017
- TM of the Month Loews Chicago Hotel, 2015

## VOLUNTEER

- Felicia's Farm, 2021-2022
   Cooked for the team committed to serving the community through culinary initiatives every month
- Out in Tech Digital Corps, 2022-Built websites for under-funded LGBTQ+ non-profit organizations around the world

## WORK EXPERIENCE

06/2022 present **Freelance Software Engineer** 

100Devs

- Collaborated with cross-functional teams of developers, UI/UX designers, and clients to deliver high-quality, tailor-made solutions
- Established a client-centric approach in web development, actively engaging with clients to comprehend business requirements and preferences
- Actively identified opportunities within the hospitality sector to integrate technology-driven solutions

#### **Recent Projects**

*Trackle* (mobile app) Encourages social well-being, cultural enrichment, and adventure milestones through well-curated checklists

*K-Calc* (web app) Digital tool for pastry chefs and bakers with four baking calculators and recipe storage with version control

*PizzAAS* (REST API) Based on the ingenious CATAAS API by Kevin Balicot, PizzAAS is a REST API for cheese-heads around the world

## 10/2019 - Executive Pastry Chef

05/2022

Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, Tucson, AZ

- Collaborated with Sales, Banquet, and Finance teams to execute daily Food and Beverage operations
- Maintained budgeted forecasts, while achieving a year-over-year (YoY) revenue growth of 3-5% with a 24% Cost of Goods Sold (COGS)
- Managed a direct team of five employees and a broader team of 25 responsible for producing a revenue of \$15.3 million annually
- Conducted training sessions for the entire culinary team to further enhance their proficiency and professional development

#### 02/2018 - Bakery Director / Pastry Chef

09/2019

High Street Hospitality Group, Philadelphia, PA

- Implemented strategies and day-to-day workflows to consistently meet and surpass customer expectations
- Directed a team of 12 in a 24-hour operation, achieving a growth in wholesale revenue from \$100k to over \$300k
- Effectively grew the client account roster by 70% within a two-year period through relationship development and personalized engagement with clients
- Oversight of bakery and pastry operations for three restaurants, wholesale bakery, markets and catering services

## 06/2015 - Pastry Chef

01/2018

Loews Chicago Hotel, Chicago, IL

- Guided a core team of two and supervised a larger team of 16, generating \$10.2 million in Food and Beverage revenue and COGS at a consistent 23%
- Enacted effective labor management strategies to meet standards resulting in a consistent revenue increase of 2-4% YoY
- Led customers through wedding and gala tastings, customizing products to align with customer needs, and ensuring the delivery of optimal solutions
- Cultivated strong relationships with vendors to ensure a reliable and costeffective supply chain

## 09/2013 - Baker

06/2015

Nico Osteria, One Off Hospitality, Chicago, IL

- Assisted in the development and expansion of the breakfast/brunch pastry menus and the production of all house bread for service
- Contributed to team performance and assisted in pastry production for the restaurant, banquets, and attached hotel