

# MARK GARDNER

Front-End and Full-Stack Developer

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## Summary

Creative multi-hyphenate with a passion for learning. Looks at every challenge as a chance to improve and thrives on the feeling of accomplishment at the end of a project. Balances a drive for perfection with an easy-going and friendly personality to work well in teams. Technology and all media should be simple, effective, and sometimes a little surprising in order to keep people engaged.

## Technical Skills

**Technology:** HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript ES6+, SQL, NoSQL

**Libraries:** Node.js, Express.js, Bootstrap, Handlebars, JQuery, React, Sequelize, Mongoose

**Tools:** GitHub, VS Code, NPM, Adobe Creative Suite, SQL Workbench, MongoDB Compass

## Projects Built

### Garden<sup>2</sup>

**Live site:** <https://garden2ed.herokuapp.com/>

**GitHub Repo:** <https://github.com/MarkGATX/Garden2>

A full-stack web application that helps home gardeners plan successful gardens with a comprehensive database of plants, care instructions, and garden layouts users can save to their accounts.

**Role:** Front-end design and graphics creation

**Tools:** Bootstrap, JavaScript, CSS3, GoogleFonts, Photoshop, Illustrator

### Weather Dashboard

**Live site:** <https://markgatx.github.io/Weather-Dashboard-Full-Stack-Bootcamp/>

**GitHub Repo:** <https://github.com/MarkGATX/Weather-Dashboard-Full-Stack-Bootcamp>

Provides accurate weather forecasts for cities anywhere in the world using two weather APIs while storing past searches in a simple but powerful interface.

**Role:** Sole Developer

**Tools:** Bootstrap, JavaScript, CSS3, GoogleFonts, OpenWeather API, WeatherBit.io API

### Word Guess Game

**Live site:** <https://markgatx.github.io/The-Word-Guess-Game/>

**GitHub Repo:** <https://github.com/MarkGATX/The-Word-Guess-Game>

A fun and challenging take on a simple word guess game. Added features are additional animations, tougher scoring rules, keyboard rate limiter, and a API call at game end for dictionary definitions.

**Role:** Sole Developer

**Tools:** JavaScript, CSS3, GoogleFonts, Dictionary API

## Relevant Experience

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### Local Government Solutions / Developer

2017 - 2018, AUSTIN

Assisted in the customer and business transitions to the new company after HCSS was acquired. I developed proposals and outlines for new customer training and retention programs and developed a proposal for a revamped online brand presence and website.

### The Weirdlings / Creator and Producer

2011 - 2020, AUSTIN

I created and maintained all social outlets and websites in Wordpress. I implemented some custom CSS to further customize pages and managed a team of creators to optimize videos for release.

### Hill Country Software and Support / VP of Development

2008 - 2017, AUSTIN

I implemented a complete redesign and implementation of the web-based front end of a COBOL backend program. I migrated the website to a Wordpress CMS and implemented systems to directly notify customers of updates to systems and important notes. I also handled support and training of the systems as needed.

## Education

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University of Texas at Austin / Full-Stack Developer Certification

University of Texas at Austin / Master in Sports Science and Nutrition

University of Texas at Austin / Bachelor of Arts in Plan II