

Patrick Crowley

I'm a senior developer and product manager with a passion for user experience and a deep skill set in both front-end and back-end development.

I'm looking to work on Ruby on Rails projects.

Recent projects

- [Scientist.com](#) (world's largest marketplace for life science)
 - Wrote custom markdown-based blogging platform
 - Wrote automated content migration tool
 - Overhauled all user account services (signup, login, etc.)
 - Redesigned developer first-run setup experience
 - Improved performance by simplifying app dependencies
 - Added extensive documentation to README
- [Cinema Treasures](#) (beloved movie theater database)
 - Designed and built entire website, including:
 - Movie theater browsing and searching tools
 - Image gallery that supports over 350,000 theater photos
 - Admin dashboard
- [Graffletopia](#) (first-ever service for OmniGraffle stencil sharing)
 - Designed and built entire website, including:
 - Stencil library, store, and checkout process
 - Custom preview generator for OmniGraffle stencil files
 - Custom background jobs system
 - Stripe integration
- [Ivy Street Coworking](#) (local coworking space)
 - Designed and built entire website, including:
 - Site design and layout
 - All marketing copy
 - Custom Mapbox map

Areas of expertise

- User experience
 - Improving user workflows
 - Simplifying site architecture
 - Punching up site text and marketing copy
 - Always fighting for the user!
- Front-end design and implementation
 - Bootstrap
 - Bulma
 - Haml/Sass
 - Custom CSS styling

- Authentication
 - Sorcery
 - Cancancan
- Image processing
 - Paperclip
 - Shrine
- Text
 - HTML processing
 - Markdown rendering
 - Shortcodes
 - Santization
- Geocoding
 - Google Maps
 - Mapbox
- Dashboard design
 - Authentication/authorization
 - Faceting
 - Search
- eCommerce
 - Stripe credit card processing
- Testing
 - Rspec
 - Capybara
- Developer experience
 - Technical writing (READMEs, code comments, wiki pages, etc.)
 - Reducing unnecessary technical complexity
 - Improving first-time app setup
- Upgrades
 - Complex data migrations
 - Ruby and Rails upgrades
 - Gem updates

Community

- [SD Ruby](#) (Ruby meetup group)
 - Co-founder and long-time primary organizer
 - Created and edited podcast
- [Railsbridge San Diego](#) (Workshops where women can learn Ruby on Rails)
 - Helped organize multiple conferences
 - Served as a teacher for multiple classes
- Open source contributions:
 - [Services.yml](#) - a file format for describing app services
 - [Tabby](#) - a command line tool that backs up Safari tab groups
 - Ruby gems including shrine, image_processing, and jekyll
 - GitHub Arctic Code Vault contributor