ARI KRONEN (M.A., ΦΑΘ, A+, Linux+, CSSS)

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SUMMARY

Ari is a self-motivated worker with much experience in the worlds of IT and Education. A life-long student of History and Religious studies, he possesses a B.A. in the former discipline, and completed his Master's degree in the latter field at Naropa University in 2018. Ari has solid interpersonal skills and is a creative thinker who delights in problem-solving. Along with a strong academic record, teaching, tutoring, and IT experience, he has studied abroad, in addition to working with children and the disabled. Ari is diligent, patient, meticulous, and capable of making a meaningful impact in any environment.

EDUCATION

Naropa University ~ Boulder, CO – Class of 2018
• **Master of Arts** in Religious Studies (45 credits)
• Completed an **Honors M.A. Thesis** in my field

Lander College of Arts & Sciences ~ Brooklyn, NY – Class of 2013
• **Bachelor of Arts** in History (120 credits)
• **Graduated with distinction** in History
• Completed an **Advanced B.A. Thesis** in my field

Yeshivat Torat-Yosef HaMivtar ~ Efrat, Israel – 2009-2010
• One year intensive Judaic Studies program
• Mentored youths with autism

CERTIFICATIONS, MEMBERSHIPS & MORE

• **National History Honor Society** (ΦΑΘ)
• CompTIA **A+**, **Linux+**, and **CSSS** certified technician
• Active privacy and security-related **projects on GitHub**
• Official Contributor and Package Maintainer **for the Fedora Project**
• Has work included in **AdBlock Plus**, **ReThink DNS**, **Blokada**, and **OpenWrt** plugins
• Performed paid and volunteer **Hebrew localization work** for desktop & mobile software
• Participated in a number of **academic religious studies** and **interfaith dialogue** conferences
• Presented at the **Ad-Filtering Dev Summit** in 2024 (document & accompanying slides)

SKILLS

Technical: Standard WebDev (CSS, PHP, JavaScript, and HTML); Advanced shell scripting under Windows, GNU/Linux and OS X (very comfortable with RegEx); Remote and on-site network administration; Proficient with Git and other version control systems; In-depth understanding of myriad Unix and Unix-like command line utilities; Fully capable of servicing and managing individual computers or large networks running Windows, OS X, and Linux; Familiar with administering RAID and JBOD arrays; Skilled with implementing automated backup and image-based cloning solutions; Extensive experience with stereo recording techniques and mastering audio; OpenWrt; OpenVPN; Microsoft Office; LibreOffice; FileMaker Pro; Apple Logic; ReNoise, and so much more.

Languages: Fluent in English. Good Hebrew skills.

WORK EXPERIENCE

CTO (Chief Technology Officer) for *CETSE Group* ~ 2024-Present
Lake Worth, FL
• Responsible for the implementation and management of technologies which keep this business running.

Freelance Tech Consultant & Tutor ~ 2005-Present
Multiple Locations
• Tutored a number of individuals in using a variety of different applications and operating systems (Linux, Windows, OS X, Photoshop, GIMP, Logic, ReNoise, MS Office, LibreOffice etc...).
• Set up and maintained a number of networks and servers in professional, volunteer, and hobbyist capacities (using technologies like the LAMP stack, OpenWrt, pfSense and more).
• Worked on several audio projects as a recording engineer, and have proficiency in a number of programming, scripting, and web development languages (Pascal, Bash, PERL, CSS, PHP and others).
• Assisted individuals and organizations in digital design of promotional materials for social media.
• Regularly contribute to my own – and a variety of other – Open Source Software projects.
• Substitute teaching at different schools (I have teaching certifications).

Contracted Tutor for *Grade Potential* ~ 2018-2022
Boulder, CO
• General studies tutoring for grade-schoolers and some college students.
• Also specialized in Hebrew, History, English, and essay writing.

Event Host & Coordinator at *TerrArium Productions* ~ 2020-2021
Boulder, CO
• Worked with one partner to arrange, promote, book, and host dozens of stand-up comedy events.

Technical Support Representative for *Envysion* ~ 2019-2020
Superior, CO
• Provided remote support, diagnostic services and error resolution to clients.
• Worked largely from the command line under CentOS and Windows 10.
• Creatively solved issues regarding the integrity and transfer of confidential data.

Research & Technical Assistant for *Professor Sreedevi K. Bringi* ~ 2018-2019
Boulder, CO
• Assisting in the translation and proper phonetic transliteration of Sanskrit texts.
• Formatting, editing, and correction under both MS Office and LibreOffice.
• Discovering and organizing new sources of information for academic and seminar documents.
• Editing works for a variety of publications, including the new book, Beacons of Dharma.

Computer Teacher & Technology Specialist at *Luria Academy of Brooklyn* ~ 2014-2015
Brooklyn, NY
• System Administrator for a large network of computers (Windows 7 – 8.1).
• IT Support for entire school (two buildings).
• Computer Teacher for 100+ students.
• Formulated a variety of lesson plans and employed creative teaching techniques.
• Tech support & maintenance for school's network, computer lab, and server.
• Completed training for, and administered SuccessMaker educational software.
• Organized and led after school technology programs.
• Mediated communication between parents and administrators.

Mentor for *Masa* ~ 2009-2010
Efrat, Israel
• Worked as a "big brother" figure 2-to-4 times a week for youths with autism.

Head Prep Cook – *Krunch Pizza* ~ 2008
New York, NY
• Oversaw and directed a team of other cooks.
• Assisted in food preparation and enforcement of health codes.
• Purchased, installed, maintained and transported kitchen equipment.

On-Call Network Administrator & IT Manager – *Alex Donner Entertainment* ~ 2007
New York, NY
• Administered regular backups of every machine on the network, and improvised shell script and AppleScript utilities to alert me of issues via eMail during hours when I was away from the office.
• Synced data across multiple computers (mainly Macs) and mobile devices (mainly BlackBerry phones).
• Performed daily maintenance routines on a small network of Apple computers.
• General hardware repair and tech support.

Sub-Regional Volunteer Coordinator – *HeadCount (Non-Profit Voters Initiative)* ~ 2006
New York, NY
• Organized voter registration activities and coordinated teams of volunteers.
• Traveled the East Coast of America registering people to vote.

Administrative Assistant – *Assemblyman Scott Stringer's Office* ~ 2005
New York, NY
• Ensured that Scott Stringer and his staff were able to efficiently go about their daily tasks.
• Worked to facilitate communication between the assemblyman and his constituents.

Intern at Assisted Living Environment – *Jewish Home & Hospital for The Aged* ~ 2004
New York, NY
• Assisted senior citizens in their day to day activities.
• Helped organize entertainment events for residents.