

Job Brief: Frontend Designer/Developer

Stranger Studios, LLC is a creative firm that builds open source technology and produces digital content to help people get paid. All of our software is free to use. All of our content is free to consume. Stranger Studios builds products around the platforms we create, including support, automation, guidance, and enhanced content delivery. Businesses that use our platforms benefit from fast, secure software built specifically to help them make more money. Individuals and organizations use that money to find freedom in their lives and to achieve their respective goals.

We are looking for a multi-talented individual to help us build an incredible frontend experience for our open source WordPress products. Sometimes a designer, sometimes a developer, mostly, both.

You will work closely with the product developers to lead the design, user experience, and frontend development requirements for our products. All candidates should be comfortable creating wireframes, design mockups, programming frontend interfaces, creating setup wizards, troubleshooting frontend design conflicts, and all the odds and ends that come in between.

Responsibilities include customer-facing components of the platform, as well as the business-facing, settings and administrative aspects of the backend. Front-end design for a WordPress plugin is like making a one-size-fits-all t-shirt that needs to look good on every single person that wears it. A good plugin isn't bullish. It inherits theme styles and works with, not against, any other plugin or theme in use on the site.

Stranger Studios is a great place to work.

- Fully remote team with diverse members in 4 different countries.
- 35 hour work weeks.
- Flexible paid time off policy for full time team members, with a minimum of 25 paid days off per year.
- Competitive salaries.
- Stipends for healthcare and technology expenses.
- Join a team that cares about your growth and well-being.

Responsibilities

- Lead the User Interface Design (UI/UX) for customer-facing and business-facing components of Paid Memberships Pro, our library of Add Ons, other plugin products, and WordPress themes.
 - Strike a balance between functional and aesthetic design.
 - Ensure the platform is optimized and responsive for all browsers, including desktop, mobile, and tablet display.
 - Ensure accessibility standards across the platform.
 - Ensure the technical feasibility of UI/UX designs that will be extended upon by the developers.
 - Be comfortable coding frontend interfaces as wireframes as well as adapting and enhancing the frontend appearance for existing interfaces coded by the developers.
 - Maintain a consistent brand appearance across the platform and library of Add Ons. You must be able to extend the frontend interfaces that exist today while still feeling comfortable to suggest ways to modernize.
 - Optimize the platform for maximum speed and scalability.
 - Use security best practices for WordPress, including proper use of escaping and sanitization functions.
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Skills and Qualifications

- Deep understanding of the WordPress codebase, coding standards, block editor, plugin and theme development best practices.
- Advanced proficiency with PHP, HTML/HTML5, CSS, JavaScript and jQuery, and server-side CSS pre-processing.
- Good understanding of asynchronous request handling, partial page updates, and AJAX.
- Proficiency with localization and translation needs for WordPress plugins, including knowledge of the GlotPress Translation Manager.
- Experience with responsive design and accessibility.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

- Experience with graphic design applications such as Adobe Illustrator.
 - Proficient understanding of cross-browser compatibility issues and ways to work around them.
 - Proficient understanding of Git, a code versioning tool used by our team.
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Bonus Skills and Qualifications

- Experience with advanced JavaScript libraries and framework, such as REACT.
 - Experience using popular WordPress builders, including the Block Editor, Elementor, Divi, or Beaver Builder.
 - Experience with popular WordPress theme frameworks.
 - Proficient understanding of the Adobe Creative Cloud applications including Photoshop and Illustrator.
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Stranger Studios offers a unique life work balance. The job is very exciting and fast paced, with the opportunity to work remote at your location. Please provide a CV and introduction of yourself via email to kim@strangerstudios.com if you think this job describes you.