# Luke Watts

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Experienced software engineer with 15 years in product development and agency environments. Adept at leveraging new technologies to solve complex business challenges and drive innovation. Passionate about creating impactful solutions from inception to completion.

## Skills & Technologies

- **Languages:** TypeScript, JavaScript, Go, Python, PHP
- **Frameworks:** Node.js, Express, React, Vue, Laravel, Slim, Kirby, PHPUnit, Vite, Jest & tap
- **Datastores:** PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Redis & BigQuery
- **Operations:** Infrastructure as Code, Kubernetes, Docker, AWS, GCP, Azure
- **Other:** Git, Agile, Scrum, TDD & RDD

## Professional Experience

### Staff Software Engineer, Snyk Ltd (October 2022 – Present)
- Collaborate across engineering units to deliver strategic business value
- Code in TypeScript and Go, deploy in CI/CD workflow, and automate infrastructure
- Improve platform API performance, reliability, and usability
- Mentor and coach engineers within the organization

### Senior Software Engineer, Snyk Ltd (December 2021 – October 2022)
- Shaped product and guided team across multiple components and projects
- Innovated strategic design improvements for short-term gains and long-term advantages
- Contributed code, prototyped, and developed testing strategies
- Ensured consistent developer experience across all Snyk products

### Software Team Lead, Snyk Ltd (September 2019 – October 2020)
- Provided team members with regular feedback, mentoring, and coaching
- Organized quarterly team planning sessions for distributed team
- Balanced feature delivery with ongoing technical investment
- Introduced experiments-based methodology to enhance feature engagement and adoption

### Developer, Snyk Ltd (October 2017 – September 2019)
- Designed features with the product team based on user needs
- Delivered SaaS application incrementally in a full CI/CD workflow
- Introduced Vue to migrate from server-rendered to client-side components
- Migrated e2e test suite from Nightwatch to Cypress

### Technical Lead, Bravo Charlie Mike Hotel (January 2015 – October 2017)
- Led delivery of all digital projects, managing client relationships
- Implemented prototypes demonstrating cross-device functionality
- Built bespoke invoice software and introduced specialized accounting software

## Education

BA Hons - Graphic Design New Media, University for the Creative Arts (2:1)

## Volunteering

Board Member, One Army Foundation (January 2024 – Present)

References available upon request