

## Passionate developers need apply: Are you ready to help run JSLou?

LOUISVILLE, KY April 24, 2018 – JSLou, Louisville’s premier JavaScript (JS) group, is looking for developers who can make the group bigger, more welcoming, more encouraging, and better – could it be you?

JSLou was founded in August 2013 when creator Alex Bezuska was trying to teach himself JavaScript. He was looking for other JS developers to learn from and share ideas with – and couldn’t find them. In that absence, he decided to start his own Meetup group, and JSLou was born.

The Meetup has been a platform to help others learn, network, and improve and maintain skills focused on JavaScript and other front-end languages. JSLou has held two monthly Meetups for the past four years: a “hack night,” focused on providing a time and space to work on projects and a “learn night,” with informative JS talks and workshops, giving local developers public speaking experience and improving the skills of those in the community. JSLou is usually attended by 10-25 local developers of all skill levels and had record attendance of over 60 during its career-focused panel discussion in 2016.

Bezuska has met some of the best and brightest in the Louisville tech community and made many friends through JSLou. However, he’s ready to pass the torch to a group of developers in the community who can take the JSLou community to the next level.

“I have not put the effort into running JSLou as well as it could be and deserves to be run,” Bezuska said. “My choice to step away does not mean JSLou should cease to be, far from it. I actually believe that with the right people and the support of multiple individuals working together, JSLou can continue to be the JavaScript community in our city, and continue to fill the gap I saw in the tech landscape four years ago.”

Bezuska is stepping down to focus on his passion – creating video games and making Louisville a community that can foster game development careers. He will continue working with his game studio, Two Scoop Games, and non-profit Louisville Makes Games!. He is leaving JSLou effective immediately, and will help transition JSLou to new, passionate leadership. Requirements to carry on the JSLou branding and Meetup group include maintaining the Code of Conduct upheld by JSLou and Louisville Makes Games!

“You’ll still see me at local tech events,” Bezuska said. “You can always find me at Louisville Makes Games! Events, and on the Louisville tech slack, too!”

### **Interested in becoming a new JSLou organizer?**

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