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Curious about people & the world | Infovore & energizer bunny | Build talent networks at the frontier

EXPERIENCE

[Roote](#) — San Francisco, CA

Jan 2022 – May 2026

Founder & Executive Director

- Founded a 501(c)(3), raised \$1M from five funders, built a startup studio team, then refocused on education.
- Launched the Roote Fellowship & scaled to 250+ ambitious young fellows.
Early fellow successes: Daylight Computer, The Residency, White House OSTP, 3 YC, 10+ full-rides to T20 colleges.
- Launched the How Everything Evolved YouTube channel & grew it to 89 videos, 17k subs, and 700k views.

[MIT Media Lab, Digital Currency Initiative](#) — Cambridge, MA

Sep 2018 – Dec 2019

Head of Community & Societal Impact

- Served as the Executive Director's Chief of Staff across strategic and operational initiatives.
- Initiated and co-taught the first-ever class on blockchain ethics to 20 graduate students from MIT and Harvard.
- Founded an academic journal with MIT Press, then hired and supervised a managing editor.
- Co-led fundraising (\$2M annually, +25%), ran org ops (offsites, OKRs), & grew community (4 events, newsletter, X)

[ETHDenver](#) — Denver, CO

Jun 2017 – Aug 2018

Co-Founder & Ecosystem Lead

- Created the flagship ETH event in just a few months—built a network on the tech frontier to attract top engineering talent & VCs, drawing 1,500 hackers, \$600,000 in sponsorships, and 100+ speakers. Ran the event.

[Edify Technologies](#) — Denver, CO

Co-Founder & CTO

May 2012 – Apr 2017

- Grew a college summer project into a startup—hired and led an engineering & GTM team, which shipped four music apps with 300,000+ downloads, 2 million+ songs created, and features by Google & Apple.
- Earned \$900,000 in NSF grants, raised \$550,000 from VCs, and selected for the 2015 Techstars Boulder class.

EDUCATION & OTHER

Carleton College, Northfield, MN

Class of 2013

B.A. in Computer Science, Magna Cum Laude

[Reading](#). I love reading. I read dozens of books each year. I remember their ideas with flashcards. I've made 20k thus far.

[Writing](#). I love writing. My blog posts have over 100,000 views. I am turning How Everything Evolved into a book.

[Podcasting](#). I love asking people questions. My old podcast, The Rhys Show, had 100 episodes and 200,000+ plays.

1,000+ miles backpacked | 1,000+ days of meditation | 3x frisbee captain & champion | 15k+ albums listened to

"How you do anything is how you do everything."
"The frontier is closer than you think."