Garth B.Software Developer



Personalia



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Vaardigheden

.NET Framework

C#

Flutter

Dart

Reporting

Documentation

MariaDB

Web Technologies

Learning

Team Management

JSON

Object-Oriented Programming (OOP)

Software Development

LAMP

Web Project Management

Profiel

So some specifics of my skill set. And at the bottom a bit about who I am;) -- About my environments -- I can work on all operating systems. And dev on them efficiently. - Windows with IIS or Docker or Apache - Linux with Apache or Docker - Mac OS with Apache or Docker

- -- My Syntax Knowledge. -- Laravel, MySQL, CSS, PHP, HTML, Javascript and Jquery, AWS, Github Actions, Flutter & Dart, WordPress, Server administration on VPS and Shared hosting services.
- -- About some of my skills -- AWS hosting and S3 Bucket integration with Github Actions automated deployment onto AWS VM's and also Flutter and Dart development and Deployment (F & D is for APP Development) Fastlane (F & D Tool for deployment) exposure for creating deployments for IOS and Android. (I do need a bit more time to automate the fastlane process for apps. But I do have enough experience to likely get there within an additional 3 to 4 weeks of focused work.) Vue JS (Vue is not my strongest but I have extensive exposure wirth the framework)
- -- About Me -- I am a highly passionate full stack engineer (Websites and Flutter apps) I love what I do and my work speaks for itself.

I always aspire to produce quality work and the more I program the better my work gets.

It's been a long road for me, but since the beginning of my development career I have certainly grown a lot and matured as an individual and programmer. I have worked in small offices and I have worked in a massive corporate offices and I have always kept myself open to helping others as much as I can and through this mentality I have been able to learn from my peers and better myself as a professional developer.

I consistently aim to better my skills and love to learn from those around me and love helping others to the best of my ability. I believe in working as a team because it's far more productive and I get to learn from other peoples points of view.

Opleidingen

Matric, Dramatic Arts, Art and History

jan 2014 - jan 2015

Allen Glen

History, Art, Life Science/Biology

jan 2011 - jan 2013

Fourways High

Werkervaring

Full Stack Engineer

aug 2024

TJIP The Platform Engineer, Netherlands

Working at Tjip has exceeded my expectations in every way. I am fortunate to work under outstanding leadership, with a manager who truly sets the standard. The team I am part of is composed of incredibly talented developers, and I feel

Programming

HTML5

Vue.js

Amazon Web Services (AWS)

Application Architecture

inspired and motivated to contribute to this exceptional group.

Though my time with Tjip has just begun, I can already see a future here, where I aim to advance and grow alongside this team. My role at Tjip aligns deeply with my passion for the work I do. The company has given me the space to bring my authentic self to the table, empowering me to make decisions and take ownership based on the very skills they hired me for. When asked for my input, I know it's genuinely valued and considered.

This environment makes my work not just a job, but a truly fulfilling experience. I look forward to each day, knowing I have the opportunity to tackle meaningful challenges and make a real impact. This sense of purpose fuels my ambition and strengthens my commitment to contributing to Tjip's continued success and growth.

Consultant Contract - Flutter & Dart developer

apr 2024 - mei 2024

CoverWeb.online, Johannesburg

Contracting for DigiData was a tough challenge coming to terms with their infrastructure but overall a good experience working with them. I contracted for 2 months and then did a handover and offered some support transitioning their system over to a new Developer. I essentially over saw the transition of their system for their app from their old developer to their new developer and did a system analysis for them for their flutter app and also did some dployments for them.

Consultant Contract - Full Stack Developer - Laravel (LAMP Stack)

jun 2023 - mrt 2024

CoverWeb.online, City of Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa

Overview: Engaged in a challenging contract with Qinisa, tasked with overhauling a legacy system plagued by performance issues, resulting from 19 years of compounded development and an outdated database.

Contributions and Achievements: - Integrated three separate systems into a cohesive unit over 10 months, enhancing efficiency. - Dramatically improved screen load times by rearchitecting the system. - Established robust development pipelines across three environments (Development, Pre-Production, Production) and streamlined server and domain costs. - Advocated for best practices including documentation, weekly training, and feature tracking, despite client resistance.

Challenges: Faced significant obstacles due to sole developer status, communication issues, and the client's reluctance towards adopting new processes. The contract was marked by a lack of support for development tracking, documentation, and system training, culminating in a challenging conclusion.

Conclusion: Despite the difficulties, maintained a professional approach, contributing significantly to Qinisa's operational capabilities through technical improvements and cost optimizations. The experience underscored the importance of communication, documentation, and stakeholder engagement in technical projects.

Reflection: This contract highlighted my commitment to excellence and efficiency in the face of adversity, enhancing my technical and managerial skills.

Consultant Contract - WordPress developer

mei 2023 - mei 2023

CoverWeb.online

Project Overview: Managed the development and ongoing updates of a

WordPress website for a non-profit organization, resulting from the merger of Common-Unity and Forward for Life. This project involved creating a platform to reflect the combined mission and values of the two entities.

Contributions and Achievements:

Project Management: Successfully managed the end-to-end process of the website development, ensuring timely delivery and high-quality outcomes.

Client Satisfaction: Maintained ongoing management of the website, resulting in consistently positive feedback from clients.

Efficiency and Quality: Utilized a standard set of tools and plugins to streamline project development while maintaining high quality standards.

Conclusion: The successful launch and management of the NPO's website demonstrate my ability to lead and execute web development projects effectively. My approach ensures both operational efficiency and client satisfaction, underlining my commitment to delivering value in the non-profit sector.

Reflection: This project highlights my skills in project management, client service, and technical execution.

Consultant Contract - WordPress Developer

nov 2022 - apr 2023

CoverWeb.online

Overview: My contract role at ALT Agency primarily involved working on standard WordPress projects. The environment was fast-paced, and my responsibilities extended beyond development to include staff training and project management.

Contributions and Achievements:

Training and Guidance: Conducted training sessions for staff, enhancing their skills and understanding of WordPress.

Project Scoping: Actively involved in advising on and writing project scopes, ensuring clarity and direction for each project.

Process Improvement: Implemented significant changes to the development tools and processes, resulting in an accelerated end-to-end development cycle and improved efficiency.

Innovation: Introduced new tools for design and deployment, modernizing the agency's approach to WordPress projects and increasing productivity.

Challenges: During my tenure, I noticed a prioritization of quantity over quality, with a focus on revenue rather than client satisfaction. This approach often led to compromised project outcomes.

Conclusion: Despite the challenges, my experience at ALT Agency allowed me to contribute positively by streamlining processes, enhancing team skills, and introducing innovative tools. My efforts aimed to uplift the quality of work and client service, addressing the core issues I identified.

Reflection: This role highlighted the importance of balancing efficiency with quality and customer care in the fast-paced environment of web development. My contributions demonstrate my commitment to improving project outcomes and client satisfaction.

jun 2021 - nov 2022

Full Stack Developer - Laravel (LAMP Stack + AWS) & Flutter and Dart Developer

E-Centive, City of Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa

Role and Environment: At E-Centive, I have the privilege of working in a supportive and collaborative environment that fosters my passion for development. The company culture emphasizes learning and growth, allowing me to tackle challenging tasks continuously. This approach has significantly enhanced my problem-solving skills and technical knowledge.

Contributions and Skill Development:

Full Stack Development: Proficiently working with Laravel and Vue, enabling comprehensive front-end and back-end solutions.

Mobile App Development: Gained valuable experience in developing applications using Flutter and Dart, expanding my skill set beyond traditional web development. DevOps and Cloud Services: Acquired practical experience in DevOps practices for web and app deployment, along with extensive exposure to Amazon Web Services and its tools.

Professional Growth: E-Centive has been instrumental in my development as a versatile and skilled programmer. The opportunity to work on meaningful software projects that impact people's lives has been incredibly fulfilling. The exposure to a wide array of technologies and practices has prepared me to be a highly valuable asset in the tech industry.

Reflection: My time at E-Centive is a significant asset to my professional journey, filled with learning and personal growth. The innovative and motivating environment, coupled with the chance to learn from exceptionally talented colleagues, makes working here a truly inspiring experience. I am grateful for the opportunity to be part of such a dynamic team and look forward to leveraging this experience in my future endeavours.

Full Stack Developer - Custom internally built PHP (OOP) Framework

okt 2020 - mei 2021

Imagin8 (SA), Bedfordview, Gauteng, South Africa

Project Overview: During my time at Imagin8, I played a pivotal role in developing SMExpert.co.za from its inception. As the lead developer, I was instrumental in laying the foundational elements of the system, contributing significantly to its architecture and functionality.

Team Collaboration and Environment:

Team Dynamics: Collaborated with a dedicated team of five developers, fostering a dynamic and productive working environment.

Challenges and Learning: Although the role was exceptionally stressful, it provided a unique opportunity for personal and professional growth, allowing me to enhance my problem-solving and project management skills.

Mentorship and Growth:

Guidance under Leadership: Working under the mentorship of Adam Rabinowitz was a highlight of my experience at Imagin8. His sharp business acumen and strategic insights have been invaluable, offering lessons that I will carry throughout my career. Professional Development: This project significantly contributed to my development as a software professional, enhancing my technical skills and

understanding of the business aspects of web development.

Conclusion: My tenure at Imagin8, particularly my involvement with SMExpert.co. za, was a defining period in my career. The challenges faced and knowledge gained during this time have been instrumental in shaping my professional trajectory. The experience has not only refined my technical capabilities but also enriched my business understanding, thanks to the mentorship and team collaboration.

Full Stack OutSystems Developer for Web - I was their sole OutSystems web developer for 2 years

sep 2018 - sep 2020

Clientele Limited, Johannesburg Area, South Africa

Role and Achievements: My tenure at Clientele as an OutSystems developer offered a rewarding platform for personal and professional growth. I engaged in comprehensive website development, covering both front-end and back-end services. This role allowed me to deepen my understanding and skills in modern development practices, particularly through extensive use of API services via Postman.

Development and Learning:

Technical Proficiency: Enhanced my development capabilities through hands-on experience with advanced web technologies and software practices. Collaborative Growth: Benefited from working alongside a team of exceptionally talented developers, contributing to a significant growth in my technical knowledge and problem-solving skills.

Professional Growth: The opportunity to work at Clientele provided a challenging yet supportive environment where I could shine and push the boundaries of my abilities. The lessons learned and the experience gained during this period have been invaluable, shaping me into a more skilled and versatile developer.

Conclusion: Working at Clientele has been a defining phase in my development career, marked by learning, growth, and the acquisition of a broad spectrum of technical skills. The experiences and knowledge gained here will undoubtedly accompany me throughout my future endeavors in the tech industry.

Full Stack Developer - WordPress & Laravel (LAMP Stack)

jan 2017 - aug 2018

WebFootprint

At WebFootprint, I specialized in creating personalized websites tailored to the specific needs of both small and large businesses. My projects ranged from online shops and contact websites to custom solutions such as JavaScript calendars integrated with WordPress and bespoke online ordering systems.

Contributions and Achievements:

Adaptive Learning: Quickly adapted to new challenges, learning necessary skills on the go to meet diverse client requirements effectively.

Growth and Development: Began as an intern and, through mentorship and continuous online study, significantly expanded my web development skill set.

Customized Solutions: Successfully delivered a variety of custom web solutions, demonstrating versatility and technical proficiency.

Reflection and Gratitude: My time at WebFootprint was a pivotal period in my professional development, providing me with a comprehensive toolkit for my career in web development. The opportunity to start as an intern and grow into a competent web developer was invaluable. My experience at WebFootprint has laid a solid foundation for my future endeavors in the development world.

Restaurant Manager

nov 2016 - dec 2016

Society eatery and craft beer, Merrow down plaza

-- Same Owners as Previous Job -- Still work for same owners as panettone café was just moved to one of their busier restaurants as I am more needed at society eatery and craft beer

Restaurant Manager

sep 2016 - okt 2016

panettone café

-- Same Owners as Previous Job --

Restaurant Waiter

mei 2016 - aug 2016

society Eatery and craft beer

In my role as a Restaurant Waiter at Society Eatery and Craft Beer, I honed my skills in cash handling and store management under the guidance of an exceptional manager. This experience led to my promotion to a managerial position where I oversaw daily operations and ensured customer satisfaction.

Restaurant Waiter

apr 2016 - mei 2016

Murphys law

In my role as a Restaurant Waiter at Murphys law, I excelled in providing top-notch customer service, managing tables effectively, and collaborating with the kitchen team to ensure a smooth dining experience. I implemented upselling strategies to boost revenue and enhance guest satisfaction.

Certificaten

Introducing Entity Framework

feb 2025