EMIL SMITH emilsmith.pro

SKILLS

Design

Adobe CC (Ps, Ai, Au, Xd, Ae, Pr, Ru, Me etc), Figma, Sketch, InVision Studio, ProtoPie.

Engineering

HTML5, CSS3, SCSS, JS (OO/functional, ES6+), Vue.js, React, Git, Docker, Vagrant

Key Skills

UI Design
UX Design & Research
Front End Web Development
Project/Product Management
Leadership
Linear Media Design

ABOUT ME

I am a passionate electronic music producer, maker, and father. I have recently developed an interest in digital signal processing and embedded audio systems, with the goal of designing and building DIY electronic instruments. I live with my partner and our two-year-old daughter, in East London.

WHAT I DO

I'm a Creative Tech Lead with over 10 years' experience working on everything from high profile websites and ad campaigns for fast-paced creative agencies to design systems, user research initiatives, and javascript PWA builds for digital products. I have a passion for beautiful, human-centred design that is as functional as it is aesthetic, with a solid grounding in technology and the business goals that it supports.

EXPERIENCE

NewsNow

Creative Tech Lead Feb '19 - Present Led the product's largest redesign in its 24-year history in design, dev, and product, reporting directly to CEO, COO.

Undertook the company's first-ever user-research initiative, and self-started competitor analysis, informing product decisions.

Managed a small design team and contributed to dev team efforts via front end development, tooling, and infrastructure/stack.

BPL Marketing

Designer & Developer Jul '15 - Feb '19 Led the formation of the company's first in-house web department, designing and developing web and marketing projects

Defined and informed devOps, designOps, and project management processes

Managed and mentored junior graphic designers on web projects

Twotwentyseven

Designer & Developer Jun '13 - Jul '15 Worked in a small, fast-paced team, on web design, front end dev, and bespoke Shopify eCommerce sites.

Contributed to company coding standards and best practices such as naming conventions, code structure, and operational practices

Amobee

Digital Designer Jul '12 - Jul '13 Designed mobile display ads and rich media for global campaigns, responsive designs, custom mobile websites/landing pages, and HTML5 animated banners

Renovated existing processes with more efficient methods by using scripts to automate tasks that previously took hundreds of work hours to complete

EDUCATION

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Digital Media Design BA(Hons) '09 - '12