About

I graduated from Curtin University with a Bachelor of Design, where I started with UX/UI design and was drawn towards web development. Recently, I've been focusing on honing my developer skills through a full-stack React Native project and a frontend development training program with the German company, Kreativstorm.

Current Position

Currently, I'm working at Rio Tinto as IT support to assist in their Rail Refresh project, where the new desks for their automated rail operation are being built. I'm actively seeking a position within web development.

Experience

At Curtin University, I followed a comprehensive and structured design process, covering research, ideation, refinement, prototyping, user testing, and full-stack development. This provided me with a well-rounded understanding of every aspect of website and mobile app creation. I thrived in collaborative group projects, working alongside designers and fellow developers. Notably, I often assumed leadership roles, such as in the creation of the Grad Show 2022 website and my recent frontend development training program with Kreativstorm.

Technical Skills

Over the past three years, I've been focusing on web development. I started with a solid foundation in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and Node.js. Since then, I've consistently expanded my skill set, incorporating tools such as Lit-Element, Sass, Express, MongoDB, Firebase, and Next.js. Additionally, I've leveraged Solid.js and TypeScript to create my personal portfolio website, a showcase for the projects completed during my university course. Proficient in managing version control, I've overseen and supported group members through Github.

Notable Projects

Two standout projects on my website that highlight my full-stack development expertise are BiblioFIle and Exhibition Space. In Exhibition Space, I handled data from backend database, demonstrating my proficiency in both frontend technologies and collaboration with backend team members. For BiblioFile, I assumed the developer role, working closely with a designer and UX/UI researcher to successfully deliver a full-stack website which was coded solely by me.

Check out my website.

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Education

Sacred Heart Highschool Graduated with an ATAR of 76

2014 - 2019

Curtin University

Bachelor of Design, Digital Experience and Interaction Design Major and Graphic Design Minor

2020 - 2022

Employment History

IT Support

At Rio Tinto's Operations Centre I am assembling specialised desks, configuring machines, cable managing and attending regular project meetings.

2023 - Present

Admin Officer

I went to multiple Catholic Homes Aged Care facilities and assisted the administrators with archiving and similar tasks.

2019-2021

ATAR Exam Supervisor

I assisted with the ATAR Physical Education practical exams

2020

Assistant Cook

I was an assistant cook at a City Beach Surf Club cafe which was also used for private functions

2017 - 2018

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CHARACTER REFERENCE: JAMES ANDREW

I am writing to provide a character reference for James Andrew, a student I had the privilege of teaching during his final year in the Digital Experience and Interaction Design Major of the Bachelor of Design program at Curtin University. Observing James during this pivotal stage of his academic journey, I can wholeheartedly attest to his exceptional qualities and achievements.

Throughout his studies, James consistently exhibited extraordinary qualities and an unwavering commitment to personal and professional growth. His enthusiasm for web programming and digital creativity is truly inspiring. His dedication to his studies is evident through his consistent attendance in classes and his enthusiastic engagement with learning materials. This proactive approach to learning reflects his commitment to honing his craft. He consistently demonstrated a remarkable level of dedication and initiative, consistently going beyond the minimum requirements to expand his knowledge and refine his skills.

James' collaborative spirit extends beyond his immediate projects. His willingness to support his peers in their creative endeavours highlights his generous and helpful nature. He identifies opportunities to contribute to the success of others, whether by sharing insights, offering assistance, or fostering positive group dynamics. His strong teamwork ethos is reflected in his ability to work effectively with diverse teams, creating a supportive and cooperative atmosphere. He acknowledges his peers' contributions and consistently seeks to make a positive impact.

One of James' most commendable attributes is his continuous pursuit of improvement. Even after graduating, he remains committed to refining his design work and seeking feedback from mentors and industry professionals. This receptivity to constructive criticism underscores his maturity as a designer and his drive for excellence. His genuine desire to grow and contribute to the industry sets him apart as a committed and forward-thinking professional.

James aspires to thrive in the digital creative industry while contributing meaningfully to it. He recognizes the importance of bridging theory and practice, actively seeking opportunities to apply his skills in real-world contexts. This desire to apply knowledge, coupled with his adaptability, positions him to make a significant impact in his chosen field.

An outstanding aspect of James' capabilities is his ability to excel in leadership roles. He readily steps up when unexpected circumstances arise, exemplified by his involvement in the 2022 design graduates' website for the end-of-year showcase. Initially focused on backend development, he assumed the role of project lead when needed. Despite challenges, James exhibited exceptional leadership skills, guiding and supporting his team. His aptitude for problem-solving, seeking advice from advisors, and ensuring project success exceeded expectations.

Furthermore, James' honesty and self-awareness are commendable traits. He openly communicates his limitations and areas for growth, reflecting humility and a readiness to embrace challenges for personal and professional development.

In conclusion, James Andrew is an exceptional individual with a deep passion for design, unwavering commitment to improvement, and a strong desire to contribute to the digital creative industry. His dedication to his studies, pursuit of feedback, willingness to assist others, and candid self-awareness make him a standout candidate poised for remarkable success. I wholeheartedly endorse James, confident he will continue to excel and inspire in all future endeavours.

Kind regards

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