Robert Waller

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GitHub: https://github.com/RobDWaller

Skills

PHP, MySQL, Laravel, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SCSS, Bash, Mongo, Elastic, Gulp, Webpack, Node, NPM, Yarn, Apache, Nginx, WordPress, C#, AWS, Symfony, Doctrine, Centos, Ubuntu, Tableau

Security Cleared 2015

Personal Statement

I am the Head of Technology at Breakthrough Media where I run the team of software developers and digital project managers. Our focus is primarily LAMP stack based technology, however over the past year I have helped the team move away from WordPress and jQuery development to more general development.

The team now works with a wide variety of technology including Vue.js, vanilla JavaScript, PHP frameworks such as Laravel and Symfony, and Python. In addition to this we are beginning to work on data projects based around Tableau and other visualisation tools. We have also begun to introduce agile based methodologies, such as stand ups, retrospectives and tech talks to improve communication and innovation.

Prior to Breakthrough Media I worked as a freelance software developer for a number of agencies including BBH, Wolff Olins, WTG and WebCredible. The work ranged from private to public sector and focused on areas such as digital marketing and web development. Along with this I have run my own business which found success in 2012-13 when I released a social media analytics app, that has been used by over 1 million people, and then sold part of my business.

I have strong communication skills, having regularly presented talks in both business and public settings. In addition while at WebCredible I spent four years running their HTML and CSS training courses.

Experience

Breakthrough Media, Head of Technology

May 2016 - Present

Run the software development and digital project manager team. Oversee and work on projects ranging from small Composer based WordPress sites, through to larger Laravel and Symfony based projects, in addition to data projects based around Python, JavaScript and Tableau. Work closely with other departments including accounts, finance and creative to ensure smooth running of projects.

WTG (Web Technology Group -- Civica Group) PHP Senior Developer

October 2014 - March 2016

Worked with WTG to update one case management system and start the build of another, both in Laravel, for central government departments. In addition to this I worked on several updates for a WordPress Intranet system for the NHS. All the work involved Unit Testing and following SOLID coding principles.

Status People Ltd, Founder and Lead Developer

August 2011 - Present

Founder and Lead Developer of Social Media Development Company. Released the Fakers App in 2012. Also produced social media marketing and analytics software for other companies. More information can be found at http://statuspeople.com or @StatusPeople on Twitter.

Harkable, PHP/jQuery/Less/HTML 5 Senior Developer

September 2014

Worked with Harkable to produce two responsive campaign sites for their client IGN. In addition prototyped an HTML 5 canvas meme generator. Work was carried out using PHP, Fabric.js and the Codelgniter framework.

Wolff Olins, PHP/jQuery/Less Lead Developer

May 2014 - August 2014

Haygarth, PHP/jQuery Senior Developer

Feb 2014 - April 2014

Nutcase Ltd, PHP/jQuery Lead Developer

July 2012 - February 2013

Webcredible, PHP Developer and CSS Trainer

June 2012 – September 2015

Bartle Bogle Hegarty, PHP Lead Developer

October 2011 – April 2012

dbg, Support Analyst Programmer

August 2009 - August 2011

MailPerformance, Email Production Consultant

December 2007 - August 2009

Education

Lancaster University 2002-2005, BA 2:1 History Simon Balle Hertford 1995-2002, 13 GCSEs A-C, 4 A Levels B-D

References

Adam Lewis, Lead Developer

Hobbies & Other Information

I enjoy sport. I watch a lot of football and like to run. I have a passion for history and philosophy, and read

regularly. Other interests include Whisky, TV, Film and my Nintendo Switch.