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Objective

 Seeking full-time position involving software development and/or testing in an environment that encourages the incumbent to develop and acquire new skills.

Interests

- Special interest in user interface design, object-oriented application frameworks, development tools, graphics, and cross-platform programming issues.
- · Fonts and font technology. Multilingual text handling.
- Web applications, distributed computing, and virtual machine implementations.

Highlights

- Over 20 years of programming experience, beginning early as a computing enthusiast.
- Fluent in C, C++, Objective-C, Pascal, and other popular mainstream programming languages. Also Ruby, PHP, JavaScript, Perl, AppleScript, Java, Basic, FORTH, and other languages.
- Experience writing commercially shipping application software in mainstream software development environments, including: XCode, Metrowerks CodeWarrior (C/C++/Pascal), Symantec C++ for Macintosh, and Microsoft Visual C++.
- Application frameworks such as MetroWerks PowerPlant, MFC, Cocoa, Axiom.
- · Some experience writing an Adobe PhotoShop plugin.
- Graphic design and desktop publishing using such popular packages as: Quark XPress, Adobe PageMaker, Adobe PhotoShop, CorelDRAW!, Ventura Publisher.
- Maintain heterogeneous home network involving multiple computers. Apache-based webservers with name-based virtual hosts, caching proxy, reverse proxying, various web applications. Postfix MTA and UW IMAP for personal email. Internal DNS servers.

Mobility

- · Willing to travel.
- Relocation will be given due consideration, though positions based within the Ottawa area are preferred.

Employment eligibility

- Canadian citizenship.
- · Australian-born can resume Australian citizenship.

Selected volunteer and work experience

11/2005 - present

Software Engineer FileMaker Canada, Inc. Ottawa, Ontario

05/1998 - 11/2002

Software Developer

Corel Corporation Ottawa, Ontario

- Added user interface features, performed pre-alpha testing and fixed bugs in currently shipping products.
- Worked primarily in large team to develop cross-platform framework (implementing Win32 API on both Classic Macintosh and MacOS X platforms) using C++ and plain C.
- · Cross-platform menu subsystem specialist.
- Font technology and text-handling specialist.
- Developed and maintained local team documentation website and groupware server, gluing together various Perl and PHP-based web applications.

Shipped products:

- · CorelDRAW! 8 for PowerMacintosh
- Corel PhotoPaint 8 for PowerMacintosh
- Corel TRACE 8 for PowerMacintosh
- MacPort Win32 bridge framework
- Corel PrintOffice 2000
- Corel PhotoHouse Magic 5
- Corel PrintHouse 5

- Corel PrintHouse 2000 Macintosh
- · CorelDRAW! 9
- Bryce 5
- · CorelDRAW! 10 Graphics Suite
- Corel Graphics Suite 10 Macintosh
- CorelDRAW! Graphics Suite 11

04/1996 - 04/1997

Advertising Committee Chair

Alma Mater Society of Queen's University Inc.

Kingston, Ontario

- Chaired a committee responsible for developing and designing advertising strategies for commissions, committees, services, and clubs associated with small student government corporation.
- Organize committee and maintain communication among members.
- Design print ads, flyers, notices and paint banners.
- Compile and track information on use of campus media services for advertising/communication.

05/1996 - 09/1996

Software Developer and Tester

Corel Corporation

Ottawa, Ontario

- Added user interface features, performed pre-alpha testing and fixed bugs in currently shipping products using C++.
- Evaluated third-party software packages for bundling.

Shipped products:

- Corel CD Creator for Macintosh v1.1
- Corel VIDEO v1.6 (Enterprise video solution Macintosh platform client)

07/1995 - 04/1996

Production Manager

The Queen's Journal, Volume 123 (Alma Mater Society of Queen's University Inc.) Kingston, Ontario

- Responsible for production process and final appearance of each issue of major biweekly (two issues per week) college newspaper.
- Managed (and trained) pool of production contributors.
- Coordinated layout schedules and use of computer resources. Developed more streamlined computer-based document workflow from copy-editing through to camera-ready flats.
- Oversaw transition from Aldus PageMaker software to Quark XPress as primary instrument for layout of paper.

10/1994 - 04/1996

Layout Contributor

The Queen's Journal, Volume 122 (Alma Mater Society of Queen's University Inc.) Kingston, Ontario

Laid out sections of college newspaper under direction of Production Manager and various Editors.

09/1992 - 02/1993

Planning/Marketing Assistant

The Corporation of the Town of Markham, Transit Dept. (now absorbed into York Region Transit) Markham, Ontario

- Assisted Transit Planner and Transit Technician with marketing strategies and administrative operation of mid-sized transit service.
- Responsible for design, publication, and distribution of: transit notices, special schedules, survey forms; and assisted with a newsletter for users of mobility-impaired transit service. (Using Aldus PageMaker and CorelDRAW!.)
- Collected raw data from computerized ticketing system and compiled statistics for archival purposes and for inclusion in reports to provincial coordinating transit agencies.
- Assisted in compiling monthly and quarterly reports on transit usage, revenue, and other statistics for archive and review purposes.
- Responsible for ensuring validity of transit/town planning maps, placement of bus shelters and stops. Coordinated with Town Planning office.
- Conducted surveys and reported on transit usage to aid in planning transit routes. Recruited staff to assist in conducting these surveys.
- Answered telephone inquiries about transit service and schedules.

Education history

1993-2000

Queen's University

Kingston, Ontario

- B.Sc. (Honours) degree, Computer Science (2000)
- B.Sc. degree, Computer Science (1998)

1988-1993

Unionville High School

Markham, Ontario

Ontario Secondary School Diploma, Ontario Scholar