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**Profile**

**I'm a Kiwi Web Developer with strong skills in all aspects of building and maintaining modern web applications. With over a decade of experience in the web industry, I've worked with several digital agencies and global clients in Auckland, Wellington and Bonn, Germany.**

**I specialize in building rich, cross-platform and cross-browser user experiences with many front-end technologies like HTML5, CSS3 and Javascript and jQuery. These skills are complimented with a solid background in pHp & mySQL, engineer-level knowledge of open-source CMS platforms Wordpress and Drupal, and an expanding knowledge of Swift, AngularJS, React, Backbone, Ember and many other libraries and frameworks.**

**Super-fast at prototyping and capable of incredible concentration in programming, I love problem-solving, delving into impossible tasks, and providing excellent solutions to the myriad of obstacles regularly presented in the web industry.**

**I stand out amongst other developers due to my social nature and ease of dealing professionally and personally with people of varying cultures and customs. I also have a very keen eye for UX and strong skills in editing and copywriting.**

**My favourite things to do outside of work are playing guitar, cooking, fishing, swimming, hiking, gardening and the occasional gaming. I also speak German and love travelling.**

**Education**

**2005 – 2006 Natcoll (Auckland, New Zealand)**

**Diploma in Web Development**

**1992 – 1996 Howick College (Auckland, New Zealand)**

**English, Computer Studies, Drama, Music, Japanese**

**Employment History**

**2016 - present**

**Senior Developer - DNA (Auckland, NZ)** [www.dna.co.nz](http://www.dna.co.nz)

**Working with a team of senior designers and developers mostly with Silverstripe CMS.**

**Tech stack: PHP, HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, SASS, Pure.css, Gulp and much more.**

**Latest work:** [www.greatjourneysofnz.co.nz](http://www.greatjourneysofnz.co.nz)**,** [www.immigration.govt.nz](http://www.immigration.govt.nz)

**2016**

**Lead Developer - Spitfire: The Digital Agency (Auckland, NZ) [www.spitfire.co.nz](http://www.spitfire.co.nz/)**

**Managing contract developers and working across many different projects and platforms:**

**Concrete5, pHp, HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, SASS, Git, Grunt, Capistrano, AWS.**

**Recent sites: [roche.co.nz](http://www.roche.co.nz/), [cancerinfo.co.nz](http://www.cancerinfo.co.nz/), [roche-plus.co.nz](http://www.roche-plus.co.nz/), [chelsea.co.nz](http://www.chelsea.co.nz/)**

**2014 – 2015**

**Senior Freelance Developer (Auckland, NZ) [www.graemethornber.com](http://www.graemethornber.com/)**

**Working with a variety of different technology stacks for mostly digital agencies including:**

[Colenso BBDO](http://www.colensobbdo.co.nz/)**,** [RAPP (DDB)](http://www.rapp.co.nz/)**,** [Image Center Group](http://icg.co.nz/)**,** [iDesignMedia](http://idesignmedia.co.nz/)**,** [Insight Creative](http://www.insightcreative.co.nz/)**,**

[J. Walter Thompson](https://www.jwt.com/new+zealand)**,** [Satellite Media](http://www.satellitemedia.co.nz/)**,** [Touchcast](http://www.touchcast.co.nz/)**.**

**2011 – 2013**

**Senior PHP Developer - Scopevisio AG (Bonn, Germany) - [www.scopevisio.com](http://www.scopevisio.com/)**

**At Scopevisio I built and maintained the company's website in Drupal using Web Services with REST, SOAP, JSON and XML while also gaining an advanced knowledge of SEO.**

**2010 – 2011**

**Lead Developer / Project Manager - +The Church+ (Wellington, NZ) - [www.thechurch.co.nz](http://www.thechurch.co.nz/)**

**Building custom Wordpress themes and plugins for local and international clients, I took sole ownership of many projects - from initial scoping and architecture to building, deploying and maintaining bespoke content-management driven web applications.**

**2008 – 2010**

**Front End Developer - Solutionists (Auckland, NZ) - [www.solutionists.co.nz](http://www.solutionists.co.nz/)**

**During my time at Solutionists I worked on over 100 projects: from building table-based HTML4 email templates to brochure campaigns and full corporate E-Commerce solutions.**

**2007 – 2008**

**Freelance Developer (Auckland, NZ) - [www.graemethornber.com](http://www.graemethornber.com/)**

**After completing my Diploma in 2006 I made the transition from hospitality to the web industry contracting for clients in Auckland including [Zest Media](http://zestmedia.co.nz/) and [Brown Paper Bag](http://www.brownpaperbag.co.nz/).**

**1997 – 2006**

**Waiter, Bartender, Restaurant Supervisor, Event Manager (Auckland & London)**

**Various bars & restaurants in Auckland including [Horse & Trap](http://www.horseandtrap.co.nz/), Kermadec, [Kings Arms](http://www.kingsarms.co.nz/), Portofino. Also in London: [The Feathers (Westminster)](http://www.nicholsonspubs.co.uk/restaurants/london/thefeatherswestminsterlondon) and [The Jolly Gardeners](https://www.thejollygardenerssw15.co.uk/) [(Putney)](https://www.thejollygardenerssw15.co.uk/).**

**Technical Skills**

* **HTML5 & Templating Engines: Bootstrap 3, Foundation, Twig, JADE, Mustache**
* **CSS3: Responsive & cross browser with SASS, LESS, Stylus, Compass, Pure.css**
* **Native Javascript with jQuery, AJAX, JSON, Angular, React, Backbone, Ember**
* **PHP : LAMP, OOP, Web Services, APIs, SOAP, REST, cURL, FPDF**
* **Databases: MySQL, XML, noSQL, Firebase, MongoDB, Mongoose, Sequel Pro**
* **CMS development in Wordpress, Silverstripe, Drupal, Concrete5, Joomla, Bolt**
* **MVC Frameworks: Symfony, Laravel, Zend, CodeIgniter, CakepHp**
* **Adobe Creative Suite: Photoshop, Fireworks, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, Flash**
* **Source control and team tools: Git, Slack, JIRA, Bitbucket, Beanstalk, Basecamp**
* **EDM: E-mail templates with Campaign Monitor, MailChimp, Litmus, Mandrill**
* **E-Commerce setup and management with Magento, Shopify, WooCommerce**
* **Server administration: Apache, MAMP, XAMPP, SSH, Linux, Plesk, cPanel**
* **Node.js, Express, NPM, Composer, Capistrano, Beam, Grunt, Gulp, Bundle, Bower**
* **APIs, CDNs, Cloud Services, AWS, Rackspace, Social integration, FB, YouTube etc**
* **SEO & Marketing: Google Search Console / Webmaster Tools / Analytics / Adwords**
* **IDEs: Atom, Eclipse, NetBeans, Sublime Text, Notepad++, Visual Studio, Instapage**
* **Basic knowledge of Swift, Java, Ruby, C, C#, ASP.NET and Flash Actionscript**

**Other skills:**

* **Mastery of English with excellent formal and creative writing skills**
* **Typing speed of over 80 words per minute**
* **Over 20 years experience playing guitar and other instruments**
* **Can speak German and read / write Japanese**
* **Wit, personality and an appropriate sense of humour**

**Examples of my work can be found on my website at:**

**[www.graemethornber.com](http://www.graemethornber.com/)**