

Ashley Hindmarsh - Curriculum Vitae - Aug 2015

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- References available upon request

Summary

- 20 years experience of Java and Perl development.
- Tech lead on key customer-facing systems for the BBC - the power behind iPlayer.
- Team lead on the BBC Video Factory portfolio - bringing over a million hours of content to all devices.
- Recent, relevant Agile and DevOps experience, continuous integration/delivery (CICD) to Cloud platforms.
- Distributed high-availability SOA/web services, and message-oriented backend systems.

Technical

This is indicative of my experience but not exhaustive.

Development

- Java: Spring, Camel, Java8 features, concurrency/threading, JMS, JUnit, Mockito, Servlets, Jersey, Maven, JAXB, Jackson, Protobuf, Guava, Commons.
- Perl: Moose, Plack, DBIx::Class, Carton, XML, module development
- Ruby: REST, XML, Sinatra, rvm/rbenv, gem development, bundler
- Javascript: EC6, node.js
- BDD: Ruby, Cucumber, Jasmine
- Frontend: HTML, CSS, Javascript (jQuery)
- Also commercial experience with: python, C/C++, GNU toolset (bash etc), openSSL, XML toolchain (XSLT, XQuery, etc), virtualization
- Personal interests: Scala, node.js

Data and data processing

- Relational databases (mainly mySQL, also Oracle, Postgres); applications, schema design, optimisation
- “NoSQL” databases (e.g. DynamoDB, Cassandra)
- Caching - (Memcache, Apache/mod_cache)
- Data structure: Storage and messaging (include schema design) using XML, JSON, Protobuf.

Delivery

- Architecture: for scale, availability, maintainability, API design, caching, volumetrics, microservices
- Platforms: Linux (mostly RHEL/CentOS, Ubuntu)

- Agile: Scrum, Kanban, continuous integration/delivery, TDD, BDD
- Web Server: Tomcat, Apache httpd, Jetty
- Cloud: AWS architecture and implementation: EC2, SQS, SNS, S3, DynamoDB, IAM, Cloud Formation
- Security: PKI; SAML authentication; hashing, encryption/decryption, signing/verification with XML standards (xmldsig/xmlenc).
- Support software/systems: Jenkins, Maven, Subversion, Git, Jira, Confluence, Splunk

Experience

Aug 2015-present: Contracting services t/a “Belle Software”

Senior Software Developer on site at Sky (until Jan 2017)

*Agile design and build of services supporting client-facing and back-end APIs, supporting the Sky Go and related over-the-top services. Java, Cassandra, Jersey, AWS, VM, Jenkins, AppDynamics, ELK stack. *Working env: Agile, Kanban, pair programming.*

2014-(Aug)2015: BBC Digital - Media Services

Team Lead / Principal Software Engineer

- Design and build of components for the BBC’s [Video Factory](#). Video Factory ensures that BBC digital audio and video is available to users across a vast range of devices.
- Java/Camel/Jersey applications, continuous delivery, AWS, DevOps. Maintenance of legacy Perl stack.
- Led a new team, with a remit to bring down cost and reduce technical debt.

2012-2014: BBC Future Media - Publishing Services

Principal Software Engineer

- Development and maintenance of Java and perl components.
- Ongoing tech lead responsibility for the iPlayer’s core “Media Selector” component - now at 18 million+ req/day, and ultra-reliably providing secure end-user access to BBC audio and video.
- Designed and delivered a secure SAML gateway for Xbox iPlayer product, which is also used for delivery of paid content to the new BBC Store product.

2008-2012: BBC Future Media - Online Technology Group

Technical Lead / Principal Software Engineer (contract)

- Design and delivery of “Media Selector 5” application in Perl; a business-critical service behind all iPlayer playback.
- Led the delivery of the playback mechanism for iPlayer 3G/iOS product (Dec 2011).
- Tech lead on major database/data migration; focus on data integrity, risk management and medium-term planning.

2007-2008 CAIW Netwerken (contract)

- Maintaining perl middleware services; reverse-engineered SOAP/WSDL contract from perl source code.

2005-2007 Semantico Ltd

- Developing new client sites (e.g. www.blackwellreference.com) in perl using Semantico's backend CMS and access management technology.