Dan Laush

Summary

Senior front-end developer & user experience enthusiast

I use technology to solve **human problems**, empowering all types of people. Most recently at <u>Today Strategic Design</u>, I supported <u>WorkSafe Victoria</u> in their mission to get workers home safely and helped <u>Our Watch</u> change the conversation around violence against women. I make **accessible**, **intuitive** interfaces that delight users. I've been using **JavaScript** frameworks like **Vue**, **Nuxt** and **React** to modernise the front ends of trusted CMSes like **WordPress** and **Drupal**. I enjoy engaging with the development community and **give talks** at meetups and conferences.

I'm looking for a role in a **diverse**, **multidisciplinary team** where I can support a **strong design vision** that's **driven by user needs**. I want to work in an environment where my team is **passionate** about our goals and where we feel **empowered** to make decisions.

Technical Skills

- Proficient: HTML5, CSS3, ES6 JavaScript, Vue, Nuxt, React, Gatsby
- Knowledgeable: Webpack, PHP, Drupal 7 & 8, Wordpress, Twig, Node, Gulp, NPM, Git
- Exposure: Figma, Sketch, Photoshop, Vagrant, Docker

Work Experience

Senior Front-end Developer, Today Strategic Design [Nov/17—Jun/19] Melb. AU

- Led development of websites and apps at an ethical design agency
- Worked with government and non-profit clients to deliver best-in-class design and technical solutions
- Collaborated with design and content teams to define and prioritise development efforts
- Kept projects on track by coordinating development work of in-house developers and contractors
- Used modern JavaScript frontends with headless CMSes to create smart, extensible web presences
- Represented the agency as a speaker and attendee at meetups and conferences
- Tools used: HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, Vue, Nuxt, Webpack, Drupal, WordPress, SilverStripe

Front-end Developer, Tundra Interactive [Apr/16—Oct/17] Melbourne, Australia

- Produced front end web solutions at a digital agency for clients including Officeworks, Nike Asia-Pacific and Fairfax Media
- Built front end of Wellways in Drupal 8, including custom flex-based CSS grid system
- Used Node & Express to build an API-driven app with UI kit components
- Created company-wide browser compatibility support plan, in use on all new contracts
- Tools used: HTML5/CSS3, Twig, Javascript (jQuery, Node), Gulp, NPM, Drupal 7 & 8, Wordpress

Front End Developer, Freelance [Mar/16—May/16] Melbourne, Australia

- St. Joseph's Cowper Static site build for non-profit
- Fork Digital Static site build for major Australian bank marketing campaign
- Tools used: HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, Gulp, NPM, Drupal 7

Chief Technology Officer, AIESEC [Aug/14—Jun/15] Bonn, Germany

- International youth-run non-profit, German branch
- Replaced server infrastructure with AWS, launched Wordpress website & ported existing tools
- Managed integration and change management for new global information system
- Tools used: Salesforce, Trello, AWS, 1&1 Hosting, Wordpress, HTML, CSS, Javascript, PHP, MySQL, Git

IT Development Manager, AIESEC [Oct/13—Jun/14] New York, USA

- International youth-run non-profit, US branch
- Created new website with customized Wordpress theme, curated content from multiple departments, configured plugins, deployed on new AWS server
- Redesigned organisation's data management in Podio CRM for corporate internship program
- Tools used: Podio, AWS, GoDaddy, Wordpress, HTML, CSS, Javascript, PHP, MySQL, Photoshop

Web Developer, CollegeMapper [Apr/12—Jul/13] Seattle, USA

- Startup business, web app to help US high school students apply to universities
- Designed, developed, tested, launched, and tracked new features such as a jQuery-based WYSIWYG resume builder
- Tools used: HTML, CSS, Javascript, jQuery, CakePHP, MySQL, AWS, Git

Web Development Intern, EWERK IT [Jul/11—Dec/11] Leipzig, Germany

- Digital consulting firm
- Built standards-compliant custom web pages from Photoshop files delivered by design team
- Tools used: HTML, CSS, Javascript, Selenium, Java, Photoshop, Ruby on Rails

Other Experience

Talks

- Drupal South [Nov/18] Service design on headless Drupal
- DesignOps Melbourne [Mar/18] Put your design system on the wall
- MelbJS [Sep/17] From HTML-first to HTML-last

Mobile App Developer, King County Crisis Clinic [Jan/13—June/13] Seattle, USA

- University project, created a mobile app to help vulnerable teens access health and human services
- Designed and built app front-end using Sencha Touch
- Tools used: Sencha Touch, Ext.JS, HTML5, CSS3, Axure RP, Photoshop, Illustrator

UX Designer, AIESEC [Nov/10] Rotterdam, The Netherlands

- International non-profit, global office, short-term working group
- Produced design specification of company-wide information system for implementation by Tata Consultancy Services

Education

Online Courses

- [Apr/19] Testing JavaScript Kent C. Dodds
- [May/17] React Redux+Immutable Course Tyler McGinnis
- [Apr/17] React Fundamentals Course Tyler McGinnis
- [Feb/17] <u>Learn ReactJS</u> Code Academy

B. Science of Informatics & B. Arts in Linguistics, University of Washington [Oct/2008 – Jun/2013] Seattle, USA