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profile

I am a user experience designer and student at Simon Fraser University's School of Interactive Art and Technology. I enjoy learning how and why people's everyday experiences can be affected by design, and I have a strong interest in user interface design, web development, and videography.

technical skills

Proficient Working knowledge Photoshop Android SDK MySQL Flash HTML + CSS PHP Illustrator Arduino InDesign Python Git Java Premiere Sketchup Javascript After Effects

work experience

User Experience Designer / Developer for Evident Point Software | 2013 Evident Point is a software company developing e-Publishing software.

Roles

- Designed user interfaces for an interactive e-book web application, as well as websites, Android, iOS, and Windows applications.
- Created sketches and mockups to communicate how these designs will work and look to clients and development team.
- Produced and implemented designs and assets into websites and web applications using HTML, CSS, and SASS, and optimized assets for use in native tablet apps.
- Tested and resolved minor bugs in a Javascript web application, while working in a Ruby on Rails environment.

Results

Designs were implemented into a web application with thousands of users, as well as native iOS, Android, and Windows applications, and various websites. Communicated with clients successfully to fulfill their needs and requirements.

community involvement

Web Designer for Faculty of Communication, Art & Technology (FCAT) | 2014 One other student and I created a website for FCAT at Simon Fraser University to recognize outstanding students, faculty, and alumni within the faculty.

Roles

- Designed and implemented forms, layouts, visuals, and interactions for the website, using HTML, CSS, and Javascript.
- Communicated with FCAT staff in order to complete the project effectively.

Results

Website will soon be deployed to a subdomain of Simon Fraser University, to be viewed and used by the public, especially FCAT students, faculty, and alumni.



community involvement Graphic Designer for Sense Tecnic Systems | 2013

Sense Tecnic is a software company developing tools for ubiquitous computing.

Roles

- Designed a variety of icons and interface elements for a mobile web application, while being consistent with the client's branding.
- · Created mockups to illustrate what the designs would look like to the client.
- · Integrated them into the Kurugo mobile web application by generating assets and implementing them using CSS, and tested them on various mobile devices.

Results

Designs used in demo applications for the cities of Richmond and Surrey, BC.

Technology Coordinator for Enactus Simon Fraser | 2012 - 2014

Enactus SFU is an organization that uses entrepreneurial projects to address social, environmental, and economic needs in the community.

Roles

- · Maintained and enhanced the user experience of Enactus SFU's various websites, through interface design, as well as HTML, CSS, and WordPress customization.
- Shot, edited and compiled video and images of Enactus events and causes.
- Created motion graphics in After Effects to enhance the message of the videos.
- · Collaborated and communicated effectively with different teams in order to complete cohesive video projects for their needs.

Results

Created an event commercial shown on national television, produced videos that were used in competitions with other university Enactus groups, as well as presentations to Simon Fraser University's faculty and students.

awards

President's Honour Roll

Achieved a term GPA of 4.0 or above while enrolled in at least 12 units of classes.

Seattle Design Charette Fall 2012

Part of the winning team of a three day spatial / architectural design competition.

Simon Fraser University Summit Entrance Scholarship

Grade 12 average greater than 90%.

Media Arts 12 Scholarship

Awarded for receiving the highest mark in the class.

education

Simon Fraser University | 2011-Present

School of Interactive Arts & Technology. This program focuses on combining science, art, and technology into digital and physical systems, and effective design.

i also enjoy

Epic hiking adventures, playing drums, cars, skiing, tennis, and rock music (eg. The Strokes, Foals, Tokyo Police Club).