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PROFILE

As a Frontend Engineer and Full Stack Developer, I have many years of experience in building robust and scalable websites, webapps and PWA's. As well as solid commercial experience of building full-stack applications.

As a contractor I enjoy taking the lead in projects where ever possible and have experience working solo / remotely and in small teams mentoring other developers. I always work to high standards and deliver maintainable and test driven software while keeping the end user in mind at all times.

I have consulted for enterprises of all sizes (PassivSystems, Jaguar Land Rover, Good Energy, et al) and enjoy communicating with the client and all stakeholders throughout a project.

Specialising in React / Redux has been a natural fit for my style of development as I favour a functional / declarative approach to programming and always seeks to lift as much of a codebase into pure functions as possible, where it can be written into utilities / libraries and tested.

As a UI expert I have extensive experience with animations (*CSS, SVG and WebGL*) and feel equally at home styling interfaces with JavaScript as I do with CSS / SASS. I have also become a keen advocate of PWA's and conform to best practices (e.g. responsive design, cross browser development) whilst retaining solid commercial experience of Cordova and App store deployment.

Having worked end-to-end on many large projects I am comfortable taking on all of the above alongside other responsibilities, such as writing CI build scripts (*Bash / Webpack / Gulp / Grunt*), designing databases (*MySQL / DynamoDB*), architecting API's (*Node / AWS / Heroku / PHP*), keeping fine grain version control (*Git*) of codebases on the command line and working in multiple environments (*Linux, OSX and Windows*)

See below for a selective list the applications I have developed over recent years. For more info / links, please visit: edwilliamsdevelopment.com

PREVIOUS CONTRACTS

PassivSystems, Newbury

January 2017 - March 2019

PassivLiving App

- Working independently to build enterprise-grade React / Redux app from scratch
- Engineering UI updates around an bespoke event poll system
- Writing bespoke SVG and WebGL animations to represent heating states within the app
- Translating proprietary business logic into standalone JavaScript libraries
- Writing and maintaining unit tests and working with QA in integration testing
- Initial maintenance then migration of legacy codebase (Ember) and build systems (*Grunt / Gulp*)
- Leading regular stakeholder meetings to plan new feature architecture
- Debugging via device emulation in Xcode and Android Studio
- Writing and updating Webpack and Jenkins build scripts
- Maintaining and utilising Cordova plugins
- Exposure to IoT via PassivSystems hardware (e.g. Smart Thermostats, Hubs, etc)
- Assisting with wireframe development with City University students (*MA UX*)
- Working with contract designers to realise wireframes into designs / animations

Virtual Forge, Holt

August 2016 - November 2016

I rebuilt a core piece of functionality of the Jaguar Landrover e-learning system, based on new designs, and worked closely with other developers into integrate this with their existing bespoke .NET platform.

Jaguar / Landrover Learning Platform

- Building the UI in vanilla Javascript due to support requirements (borrowing heavily from Angular's design pattern)
- Working as part of a distributed national and international team
- Performed large scale CSS refactor of legacy code
- Using VM's to integrate into a .NET workflow, inc. TFS version control and Razor templates in Visual Studio
- Supporting and integrating into existing legacy frontend code, including Knockout.js
- Browser support stretching back to Internet Explorer 8

Dare West, Bristol

June 2016 - August 2016

I joined Dare West as a Fullstack Developer to assist them in completing a site rebuild for the School of Economic Science. I continued with Dare West as a Frontend Developer to work on their project with Good Energy.