

George Sheridan Portfolio

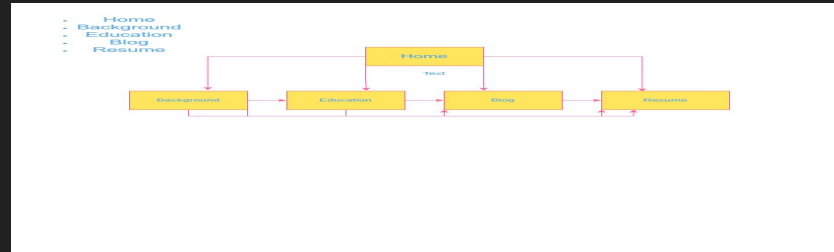
T1 slide deck presentation

Website Overview

My website is designed to be an online showcase of my web development skills as well as an information resource for any prospective employers who wish to get a broad picture of my skill-set, experience, and what I'm about.

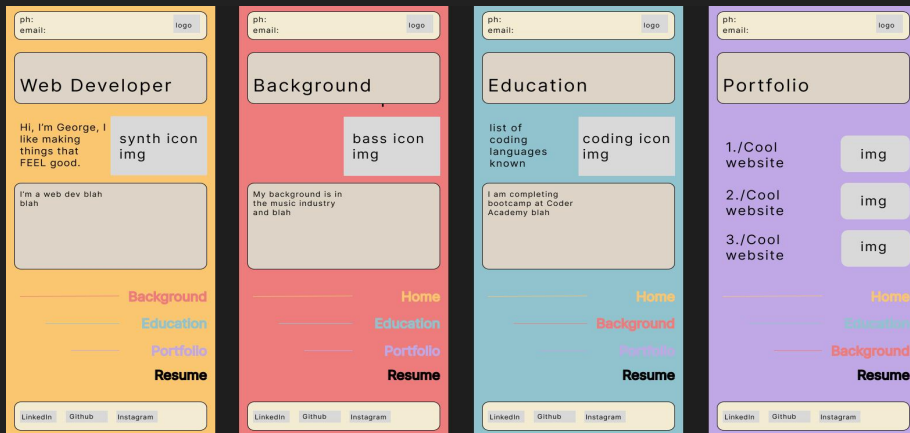
Site Map

The diagram below show the very basic structure of my website. In the design process I added a navigation bar at the bottom right of each page (except resume) to allow easy navigation from page to page.



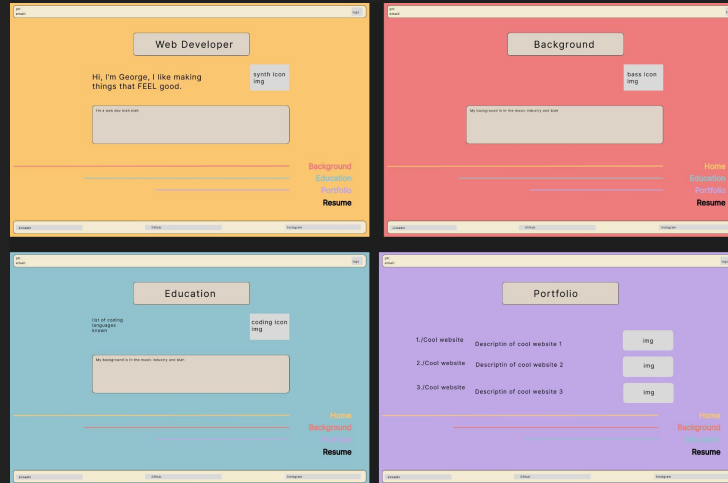
Design Mockups

Heres where the design started. I originally had wanted to make a set of piano keys that would be interactive and display info or navigate but quickly thought better of it given my very limited coding ability, so settled on a simple information card style aesthetic that used basic colours and simple graphics to aid information and navigation.



Mockups 2

Heres the desktop design, as you can see very simple, just a shrinking and centering of info blocks. I changed the image ideas on the home page and background pages during development to look a little more relevant to the page content. (note the portfolio page became blog after I realised that was a requirement).



Mockups 3

Heres the tablet view. Note I had originally wanted to have coloured horizontal lines to draw the eye to the navigation menu items, however making these in practice was too challenging/time consuming and I decided to move on as it wouldn't actually be a graded component of the site.



Components

Header

The header contains my name and contact info as well as an icon that will return the user to the home page from any of the pages on the site. I've done this for ease of navigation and because the resume page does not have a navigation bar. The icon is a placeholder for now.

Footer

The footer contains icon links to github, linkedin, and instagram. They currently just point to their site homepages. I coloured the icons with the site page colours and added a hover function to transform the colours to the following page to add a sense of forward flow through the navigation. And also because I wanted to try transforming something..

Components 2

Page card

Each page (except resume) has a title card with the name of the page within it. I added this for clarity and to give each page the same aesthetic.

Image

A graphic to add to the clarity of communication of the content of each page, some pages have additional text in this section.

Explainer card

A card with the same properties and aesthetic as the title card that contains more detail about the subject of each page.

Navigation Bar

The nav bar has a link to each of the sites other pages and is colour coded to the background colour of each page to add to ease of navigation. Note I ran into some problems with accessibility as my colour choices did not have enough contrast, to solve this I added a black border to each of the nav menu items text and spaced the letters out a little. This gave a bit of a weird aesthetic that I don't think really looks right for the target employer but I will leave it for now as I'm low on time.