Peter Yates

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Skills

- Languages: Ruby, JavaScript, Go, SQL
- Web Frameworks/Libraries: Rails, Sinatra, VueJS, GOV.UK Design System
- Platforms: Digital Ocean, Netlify, Microsoft Azure, Heroku, Amazon AWS
- Relational Database Management Systems: PostgreSQL 7.3–12, MySQL 4.1–5.7, Microsoft SQL Server 2000 and 2005; including an extensive knowledge of user-defined functions, stored procedures, views, indexing strategies, procedural languages (including PL/Ruby, PL/Python, PL/pgSQL and Microsoft T-SQL)
- Testing: RSpec, Cucumber, Minitest, Selenium, Capybara
- Geographic: PostGIS, QGIS, Leaflet, OpenLayers
- Version Control/Project Management: Git, Subversion, Jira, Confluence, Trello
- Markup/Serialised Data: HTML, CSS, Slim, Sass, XML, XSLT, YAML, JSON, Jbuilder
- Operating Systems: Linux, Unix, macOS
- Miscellaneous: Vim, LATEX, Bash, Zsh, Ansible, Capistrano, Redis

Employment History

Software Developer

December 2018 — December 2019

Department for Education (via Engine Group)

(contract)

- part of the team that built and launched School Experience, a project, aimed at giving people interested in teaching real life experience in the classroom and allowing schools to manage applications and placements
- took part in the entire user-centred design process including conducting user research, observing users, prototyping and testing
- as a side project, created the GOV.UK Design System Form Builder, a library that implements a Rails form builder that adheres to the GOV.UK Design System. Currently used by several projects across the Department for Education and the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.

Founder

March 2017 — Current

Graphia Ltd

- designed and created Graphia CMS, a version-controlled documentation management system. Currently in open beta
- undertook a number of short-medium term software development and data engineering contracts

Technical Lead

August 2011 — February 2017

Capita Translation and Interpreting

- designed and lead the development of internal interpreter booking platform
- implemented a new development infrastructure and standards project, encompassing code review, automated testing, continuous integration & deployment
- initiated the company's transition from non-relational to relational databases
- built a self-serve management information portal that is used throughout the business

Web Developer

November 2008 — September 2010

Setfire Media

- developed web sites and applications for large clients

- helped reimplement On The Beach Holdays' website, originally written in Minivend, in Ruby on Rails
- implemented unit and integration tests for all projects, development undertaken in a BDD environment
- performed a variety of system administration tasks on Debian 5.0 and CentOS 5 servers
- held responsibility for database administration on all projects, tasks included query optimisation, setting up replication and managing permissions on MySQL 5.1 and PostgreSQL 8.3+

Senior Information Analyst

August 2007 — November 2008

Salford Royal Foundation Trust

- designed and implemented performance-related reports to help trust meet NHS targets
- wrote queries and created Microsoft SQL Server 2000 database objects using Microsoft T-SQL
- assisted with the advancement of the internal development methodology
- performed database optimisation, troubleshooting and maintenance

Software Engineer

October 2006 — August 2007

Clicks And Links Ltd.

- developed and maintained web sites written in Ruby On Rails, Zope and Django
- designed database back-ends for web applications in PostgreSQL

Database Programmer

November 2005 — May 2006

(contract)

Harrington Brooks Accountants Ltd.

- developed back-end data objects for new IVA system in Microsoft SQL Server $2000\,$
- provided technical assistance to IT team while bug-fixing internal systems in Visual Basic 6.0
- implemented company-wide source control infrastructure with Subversion

Programmer

November 2004 — November 2005

Egton Medical Information Services

- developed software used in the primary care sector for management of medical records and administrative purposes
- obtained Microsoft Certified Professional qualification in Programming SQL Server 2000 (2073)

Education

Manchester Metropolitan University

2001 - 2004

BSc. Hons Information Technology (2:1)

North Chadderton Sixth Form College

1999-2001

A-Levels in Biology, Information Technology, Chemistry

North Chadderton School

1994-1999

9 GCSE (A-C) including: Science, Maths, English