Curriculum Vitæ: Dr John-Patrick Stacey

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What I can do

I have over ten years of experience of working with a number of languages, both programming and markup. I have in-depth understanding of PHP, Drupal, MySQL and CSS(3)/HTML(5), and work daily with Javascript frameworks, Apache configuration and Git.

I architect, build, optimize and launch high-profile content-managed sites in the charitable and non-profit sector. I love that I get to work for charities I care about every day. I interact closely with some clients but I'm happy with whatever the project's success requires. I negotiate and specify on-budget features, and deliver consistently to deadlines.

I lead a team of developers through technical direction, architecture advice and encouragement of team discussion and internal problem solving. I contribute to, and oversee, comprehensive internal documentation; I schedule and take part in pair programming; and I establish regular code reviews to maintain and improve the quality of work from the team.

I contribute to the open-source community. I build Drupal modules and patch bugs in others' contributions. I maintain a Bash/Drush framework which our whole team uses to develop and deploy Drupal sites using a combination of Git and the Drupal community's drush-make tool, which eliminates problems with versioning of contributed content.

I organize and present the Oxford Geek Nights, a local tech event that has run for over four years. I find and invite keynote speakers for each event, and arrange sponsorship for venue and drinks. I have spoken both at the Geek Nights and at Drupalcon Copenhagen 2010, where I led a session on automating user personas with Selenium. I attend conferences like OpenTech. I wrote two chapters of Apress' "Python 3 for Beginners" and have a clear technical style.

I can set up web servers with LAMP, Memcache and Varnish. I have installed Ubuntu Linux on a Macbook Pro. I get a kick from well-implemented version control and successful unit tests. My portable music player plays .ogg files. I am a pragmatic, excited, devoted geek.

Relevant experience

Torchbox Ltd, Charlbury, Oxon

Tech lead	Aug 2009–present	Directing team of 3-8 developers, ensuring code quality and cross-team standardization. Architecting, specifying and coding.
Senior developer	May 2008[1]–present	Advocated adoption of Drupal in Torchbox; architected/built Drupal sites and extended existing ones; also pitched to clients,

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[1]All dates of internal promotions are approximate.

worked on discovery process and wrote specifications.

Developer	Apr 2005–Apr 2008	Built a Coldfusion framework to power several directory-based websites; built and augmented other sites using Torchbox's proprietary CMS RationalMedia; was the sole developer on Torchbox's first two Drupal sites.
Junior developer	Jan 2005–Mar 2005	Built MLA East Midlands, combined 3-site RationalMedia project.

Apress, New York, NY

Freelance writer	Jan 2009–Mar 2009	Co-authored the book "Python 3 for Absolute Beginners."

Extenza ePS, Abingdon, Oxon

ePublisher	Sep 2003–Dec 2004	Built QC tools in XSL to aid by-eye XML checking.

Websites I have worked on

Lead, co-built and launched	Chartered Society of Physiotherapy	http://www.csp.org.uk/
	Greenpeace UK	http://www.greenpeace.org.uk/
	Coeliac UK	http://www.coeliac.org.uk/
	The Joseph Rowntree Foundation	http://www.jrf.org.uk/
Advised on, worked on and/or launched	Action Aid International	http://actionaid.org/
	The Migration Observatory	http://ww.migrationobservatory.ox.ac.uk/
	Age of Stupid	http://ageofstupid.net/
	University of Chester	http://www.chester.ac.uk/

Technologies I like to use

Ask me about: PHP, Drupal, CSS, HTML, MySQL, jQuery, Javascript, Linux, Selenium, Git, Subversion, Python, Bash, Apache, Fabric, Django, Memcache, Varnish, Wordpress, XSL, Coldfusion, PostgreSQL, SQL Server... *in roughly that order.*

Qualifications

Wadham College, Oxford

Oct 1999–May 2003	DPhil (thesis in physics)
Oct 1995–Jun 1999	MPhys (first class)

Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Blackburn [2] [3]

Sep 1993–Jul 1995	Five A-levels: A grade
Sep 1991–Jul 1993	Eight GCSEs: A grade

Hobbies & personal

Cycling, music, environment, fiction reading & writing, sustainable living, local politics, current affairs.

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[2] A-levels NEAB: Mathematics; Further Mathematics; Physics; Chemistry; General Studies; also OCSEB Components Maths Pure 1 & 2 (A) earlier in 1993; Physics special paper (distinction).

[3] GCSEs NEA, SEG: Mathematics; Physics; Chemistry; Biology; English; French; Latin; German; also Religious Studies (B) in 1991.