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front end web developer

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### **EXPERIENCE**

## **SUMMARY**

### FRONT END DEVELOPER / O SOFTWARE ENGINEER

Sept 2017 - Sept 2020

### **HOLIDAY EXTRAS (SHORTBREAKS)**

Adding new features and improvements to the booking flows of our partners accomodation sites including Merlin Entertainments & Paultons Park. Working fully remotely predominantly using React, Redux and Less but also working with a wide range of other technologies as listed below

Rewriting the Manage My Booking portal from an older monolithic codebase to use newer technology and integrate with more recent microservices. This project was planned out and worked on mostly independently with occasional involvement from backend devs.

Working with the GraphQL based discovery service to implement

new features on the front end this included suggesting hotels and

showing the lowest prices on calendar searches. Work was split tested and tracked with the analytics team to review outcomes. As part of the GDPR project I built the front end for the preference center step in the booking flow where customers can amend email

settings. Created new content templates in Prismic to show updated policies. Other projects I worked on include the re-design and functionality changes for the Paultons SEO site rebrand using the in house static site generator, moved age selection from the payment stage

up to the landing page search forms, working on the front end

General work included fixing bugs / styling issues, PR reviews, testing and deployment of work, writing unit tests, configuration amends, raising jiras for new projects / any issues found, creating / working with mockups to improve or build elements and pages, peer feedback, taking part in and occasionally running various meetings and preparing demo work for stakeholders.

Technologies: React, Redux, Javascript, HTML, Less, Sass, CSS, Node, Webpack, GraphQL, Apollo, Mocha, Chai, Sinon, Bootstrap, jQuery, Hapi, Git, Express, Grunt, Google Analytics, Google Tag Manager, Google Optimize, Jira, Prismic, SumoLogic, Grafana, AWS (Mainly S3 but have worked with other services also), Dust.js, Various Javascript Libraries, Sketch, CircleCI, Browserstack.

Due to Covid-19 having a considerable impact on the business over 50% of the web team were made redundant including myself. I am now looking for a similar role with a focus on frontend.

### FRONT END DEVELOPER

Jun 2017 - Aug 2017 (Contract)

### **BLUEPRINT DESIGN COMPANY**

functionality for DTMF bookings.

Creating website redesign mock up for an existing client, also assisting in front end work required for deadline.

### FRONT END DEVELOPER

Jun 2015 - May 2017

### **AKERO LABS**

Creating and improving various features within the software, developing the front end for new features.

Developing the front end for a new responsive and printable reporting dashboard which displayed lead, activity and graph data to users. The feature included custom drag and drop widgets which were resizable and customizable.

Responsible for the design and development for new responsive layouts and themes within the system.

Fixing front end issues including hotfixes reported through Jira, cross browser, responsive and testing of new and existing features, creating bug tickets when required.

Developed the new front end for edurank.net, supporting in the implementation of version 2 of the Akero software.

Working with the marketing team to update and improve areas of the website and blog, creating a showcase page of existing landing pages for Net Natives and Akero.

Various Javascript Libraries, AJAX, jQuery, Gulp, Npm, Bower, Git, Jira, Bitbucket, MongoDB, Photoshop, Sketch. Enjoyed time here however decided to leave as was looking for new

Technologies: Angular 1.x, HTML5 / Jade, Sass / CSS, Javascript,

challenges and responsibilities in order to progress career and professional arowth.

## DESIGNER, DEVELOPER

Jan 2013 - Jun 2015

## **INDEPENDENT GAMES & WEB DEVELOPMENT**

During this time I created a number of independent games 2 of which I released to the Apple App Store, the larger projects can be seen on my website portfolio.

Technologies: C#, Unity, Javascript, Flash, Actionscript, Starling, Illustrator, Photoshop.

### **CONTENT &** SITE ADMINISTRATOR

Feb 2012 - Jan 2013

# **WEB & GRAPHIC**

**DESIGNER** Sep 2011 - Feb 2012

# WIGGLE

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Working with buyers, merchandisers and suppliers to create accurate / optimised content and imagery for product pages.

## **HARDCLOUD**

Creating and updating promotional materials for use on website and social media, creating artwork and html for weekly newsletters and site updates.

Importing new stock to database, carrying out photo shoots for new product stock and editing images ready for web use.

## ADDRESS TRUTHER

Jan 2011 - Aug 2011 (Contract) Apr 2009 - Dec 2009 (Contract)

### JUNIOR WEB & GRAPHIC O DESIGNER

Dec 2009 - Jan 2011

## LOCKHEED MARTIN

Data input, Quality assurance and error checking.

## UNIPRO

Creating and updating artwork, animated affiliate banners and other content for use on clients websites (Blockbuster, Specsavers, Booker)

Designing and creating marketing emails / newsletters using

Photoshop and HTML. Updating websites with new artwork and promotional materials

Technologies: Actionscript, Flash, Photoshop, HTML, CSS, Javascript.

## **EDUCATION**

I enjoy learning new technologies through reading online documentation, guides and creation of personal side projects. I have found this to be a very effective method of learning for me.

# SOUTHDOWNS COLLEGE O

BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY

2007 - 2008

### PORTSMOUTH ARTS INSTITUTE

2005 - 2006

SOUTHDOWNS COLLEGE O 2003 - 2005

# LEVEL 3 (PHP/MYSQL)

WEBPAGE CREATION USING DATABASES

Completed 1st year, decided to learn relevant skills in a practical

## INTERACTIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION

### **DIPLOMA IN FOUNDATION STUDIES** (ART & DESIGN)

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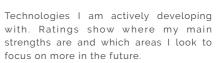
design industry. Has worked within digital agencies, agile development teams, independently and remotely, with knowledge gained from working on a wide range of projects, features and user interfaces. Takes pride in writing clean code with

Front end developer with 10 years

experience working within the web and

high attention to detail, following best practises, producing UX / design work and dealing with interesting problems to

### MAIN SKILLS



**JAVASCRIPT** REACT, REDUX HTML CSS, SASS, LESS **JQUERY** WEBPACK **BOOTSTRAP NPM & BASIC NODE.JS** GRAPHQL / APOLLO  $\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \circ$ 

Technologies I use on occasion or have worked with in the past.

**GATSBY EXPRESS** AWS C# PHP WORDPRESS **ANGULAR V1 GULP/GRUNT MOCHA** CHAI TRAVIS/CIRCLECI SQL MONGODB

### **DESIGN TOOLS**

**PHOTOSHOP ILLUSTRATOR** SKETCH FLASH / ACTIONSCRIPT

## LINKS



I'm unable to link the majority of my employed work on my cv however I've included a couple of examples below.

## Personal Portfolio:

https://bit.ly/3gtnV74

## https://bit.ly/30sbaE5

Commercial artwork:

https://bit.ly/39ZseVh

Other side projects I have completed.

## Vea Box:

https://bit.ly/2DBumpT **Cottage Getwaways:** 

## https://bit.ly/39TgKmo

Arko: https://bit.ly/3i5Yo49

### **Home Renovations:** https://bit.ly/39TLm72

Kingmakers Winery: https://bit.ly/33u5KdJ