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Curriculum Vitae

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Summary

Originally from Bath and now living in London, I've had a passion for programming since I was a small child. Having started my career in front-end development, I enjoy making beautiful and functional applications with CSS, HTML and JavaScript — and, more recently, I've fallen in love with Ruby and Node too.

I've worked for several startups in Bath and London to create great web experiences and received extremely positive feedback. More recently I worked for *Which?* to redesign and redevelop their entire website with a great team. I am also proud to say that I (almost) single-handedly implemented extensive web analytics across their entire domain.

My aim is to continue my journey to becoming a true polyglot by joining a talented team of developers that help each other cultivate exceptional skills and technological knowledge. In my next role, I want to be technically challenged by varying and evolving full-stack requirements and share the satisfaction of implementing them artfully and effectively.

Technology & Skills

- HTML5
- CSS3
    - SCSS
    - LESS
    - BEM
    - CSS Animations
    - Responsive Design
- JavaScript
    - ESNext (Babel)
    - React/Redux
    - Mocha/Chai/Sinon/Jasmine
    - Node.js

- Express
- Bookshelf.js/Knex.js
- lodash/Underscore.js
- jQuery
- Ruby
  - Rails
  - Sinatra
  - Capybara
  - RSpec
  - MiniTest
  - FactoryGirl
  - Cucumber
- Version Control
  - Git
  - GitHub
  - GitLab
  - SVN

- Strong leadership and communication skills.
- 10 years non-commercial and 6 years commercial web development experience.
- The ability to work to a schedule, work with existing organisational methods and also make constructive contributions to the structure of service within a business.

Experience

Antiblanks

Senior Developer

April 2016 to Present

I currently work as a Senior Developer for an agency providing web experiences using React and Angular. Since joining, I have had the chance to work on some massive projects for prominent clients including the largest department store in South America and a Trust Company with over $6 billion in assets. Having the opportunity to become even further emersed in modern front-end and MVVM frameworks has been extremely rewarding.

Music Glue

Senior Full-stack Engineer

January 2016 to April 2016

Music Glue hired me as a full-stack developer to work on their music and merchandise distribution platform. Whilst working with them I was responsible for creating micro-services inspired APIs written using Node/Express and Ruby/Sinatra. I was also given the opportunity to work with React and Relay.

IP Ventures

Chief Technical Officer

March 2015 to January 2016

I recently worked as CTO for a tech startup in Central London. My responsibilities included creating a development roadmap for the business' primary product, hiring new development and administration staff, working on pitches and presentations to attract venture capital, working with agencies in London and abroad to ensure a high quality of product development.

Which?

Senior Developer

August 2013 to March 2015

I was hired by Which as a front-end developer and was personally responsible for the implementation of Google Analytics across the entire domain as well as a series of exciting UI pieces. A couple of months in, I was given the opportunity to train as a Ruby developer and have been completely absorbed in the culture and conventions ever since. I now act in both capacities on a daily basis and enjoy it thoroughly.

My primary role at Which has been to develop new features for our flagship Reviews product using Rails. This involves utilising Capybara, Cucumber, RSpec and Jasmine to write integration, behaviour and unit tests to drive the development of the code. A large part of this responsibility is managing and grooming product requirements, creating talks and technical demonstrations, and mentoring other developers.

Lemon Digits

CTO, Senior Full-stack Developer

July 2011 to August 2013

I recently co-founded a successful web development startup based in Central London. My responsibilities included:

Creating clean, standards compliant markup and maintainable stylesheets; using CSS and JavaScript to create modern and intuitive user interfaces; developing web frameworks and working with APIs using PHP and Node.js; utilising version control (Git/SVN) to effectively collaborate with a team of software developers; acting as scrum master for our agile development team.

I also worked closely with clients, including writing proposals from client briefs, managing payment schedules, and using feedback to improve company working process and client experience.

Systemagic Ltd

IT Support Technician

March 2009 to July 2011

I worked at Systemagic as an IT support technician, this included a variety of server upkeep responsibilities and also web domain administration. I worked closely with a national hosting and telecoms partner company to provide support, administrate and configure servers, and train users; this also meant communicating with clients effectively to solve issues remotely and on-site.

Freelance Web Designer and Developer

Web Application Development for various commercial clients

March 2008 to Present

I have been working on-and-off as a freelance web developer for over eight years, this includes working directly with clients to design and negotiate briefs and cultivating reliable time management skills to ensure deadlines are met consistently.