Michael Baird

DEVELOPER & SERVER ENGINEER

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Dundee, Scotland

EXPERIENCE

Outplay Entertainment

Server Engineer & Developer

Sept 2013 — Present

Managed & developed applications for a large-scale (~80) server deployment on AWS. Built back-end APIs handling millions of daily requests to provide services for a range of popular (Apple Editor's Choice) mobile social-games.

School of Computing, University of Dundee

Developer & Designer

Jun 2012 — Aug 2013

Built new website & content management framework, undertaking design, development, evaluation, testing & deployment. The site was built with *Ruby on Rails* and MySQL, and complies with W3C standards for HTML5 and web accessibility.

Singderella

Lead Developer

May 2012 — July 2013

Development and server management for a new global music startup based in London. Built front and back-end systems for voting, video uploading, transcoding and user management. The site was built with the *Zend Framework* in PHP with MySQL, and was hosted on Amazon Web Services.

EDUCATION

University of Dundee

BSc Applied Computing (Honours)

2009 — 2013

Graduated in June 2013 with First Class Honours. My final year project entitled 'Scalable Analysis of Data from Proteomic Research', involved building & managing a 5-node Hadoop cluster to distribute the processing of extremely large quantities of data from proteomic research experiments.

SKILLS

Front End

JavaScript/CoffeeScript *inc. jQuery*, HTML, CSS *inc. LESS & SASS*, Gulp & Grunt

Back End

Ruby inc. Ruby on Rails, Node.js inc. Express, Java inc. Hadoop

Database

PostgreSQL, MySQL, MongoDB, Redis

Server & Cloud Service

Amazon Web Services *inc. EC2 & S3*, Rackspace, Heroku

OS. Software & Version Control

Ubuntu, Mac OS X, Git *inc. GitHub & GitLab*, Subversion, Adobe Creative Suite

DISTINCTIONS

Technology Innovation Management - 1st Place
Yahoo! Hack Day 2012 - 1st Place
NCR Computing Performance Prize - 2010-13
Applied Computing Level 1 Medal
Undergraduate Academic Excellence Scholarship

PFRSONAL

I was born in Fife, Scotland and attended Queen Anne High School in Dunfermline, where I obtained 4 highers and 3 advanced highers. I briefly worked at a supermarket and banking call centre. I then moved to Dundee in 2009, graduating in 2013 with First Class Honours in Applied Computing. I hold a full driving licence. In my spare time I enjoy working on cars and helping my dad restore a vintage Rover saloon car, or going to a local ice hockey match at the weekend.