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I'm a designer and front-end developer, with a passion for empowering users through simple, responsive, accessible design.

In-depth case studies of past work can be found in my portfolio.

Hey, I'm James.
I make websites.

Experience
Open Source
Skills

Experience

Web Designer & Developer
Hottrax Motorsport (Contract)   **Mar 2014 - Present**

Redesigned a busy Motorsport Events E-commerce site. Included building a bespoke CMS and admin console using Laravel, and building the site on top of this.

Web Designer & Developer
Omnia Software (Contract)   **Mar 2013 - Sep 2014**

Designed and Developed a responsive front end, and some back end functionality of a brand new Legal Costs Budgeting application.

Front-End Developer
Tait Design (Contract)   **Sep 2013 - Feb 2014**

Developed the front and back end of three responsive websites on behalf of graphic design agency Tait Design.

Database Administrator
Ministry Of Defence   **Oct 2010 - May 2013**

Responsible for the MOD's self-service human resources application and database. Also delivered secondary technical support and monitoring for ~100 other databases within the organisation.

Open Source

The large number of Open Source contributions I have made can be viewed on my [Github](#) and [Bitbucket](#) profiles.

Here are some of my more notable projects:

[Melody](#)   a CSS grid framework. A new version is in the works and can be found [here](#).

[Wilde](#)   a PHP based Content Management System [WIP].

[Validator](#)   A JavaScript port of Laravel's validation mechanism, for use on the front end.

[Dates](#)   A HTML date input Polyfill for use in browsers which do not support the native HTML5 date field.

[Route](#)   A very lightweight JavaScript route matching script.

[Bushwick](#)   Currently the 139th most popular theme on Wordpress.com, having received over 26,000 downloads in its first year.

Skills

As well as a keen eye for design, I have experience with high level development in the following languages:

HTML   including templating engines such as Jade, HAML, Handlebars, Mustache and Laravel Blade

CSS   including SASS, LESS, Roole and Stylus

JavaScript   including jQuery and Backbone, and some Node.js with the Express and Sails frameworks

PHP   including the Laravel and Nano frameworks