

Navigation

I see my navigation going something like this: the user will land on the homepage, which will contain nothing more, content wise, than three headers, each linked to a different part of the site. The homepage, therefore, works simple as a terminal to reach other parts of the website. The headers will be About Me, Resume and CV, and Portfolio. The first two will simply lead to pages, while the last one will lead to another landing page, done in the same style, except with six headers: Creative Writing, Professional Writing, Computer and Web Design, Research, Art and Design, and Essays. Each of these will lead to a page with my relevant works listed, wherefrom the user will navigate to a project they find interesting.

Rationale

My site will be fairly navigation intensive, requiring users to click through two layers to get to any of the content in my portfolio. However, I think by pushing the content deeper into the structure, people will be able to navigate more quickly to what they are specifically looking for. I remember from the interviews being advised to limit what gets put into the portfolio, because people are not likely to stick too long on your website. However, I'd rather not limit myself, especially early on. I think that by adopting this deep structure I can allow users to quickly and easily find what they're looking for.

I have also adopted a folder structure for my information, by sorting my projects into six silos; however, I plan to have projects that deserve it span multiple silos.