# VITO DIPINTO

Frontend Developer with a non-traditional background, having transitioned from customer service to web development through self-driven learning and hands-on experience. Previously worked on editorial tools and user-facing features at PinkNews, a leading LGBTQ+ media platform. Passionate about accessible, inclusive technology and building clean, modern web experiences.

## **EDUCATION**

B.A. DEGREE

BA in Modern Languages: English, French & Spanish Università degli Studi di Bari, Italy - 2011

M.A. DEGREE

Graduate Diploma in Business Administration The University of Birmingham, Birmingham - 2014 M.A. DEGREE

MA in Translation Studies The University of Birmingham, Birmingham - 2012

M.A. DEGREE

MA in Web Design & Content Planning

The University of Greenwich, London - 2018

#### **SKILLS**

### LANGUAGES & FRAMEWORKS

JavaScript (React/Redux, Next.js) • TypeScript • Node.js • PHP • Bash • HTML5 • CSS3

# CMS / PLATFORM EXPERTISE

WordPress (custom themes, plugins, Gutenberg blocks, REST API integrations) • WordPress VIP (enterprise hosting, performance optimization, code-review workflows) • Sanity (schema design, content modeling, headless integration)

#### **CONCEPTS & TOOLING**

Web Application Development • REST API & MVC design patterns • Databases (PostgreSQL, MySQL) • Authentication & Security (OAuth 2.0, SSO, JWT) • API testing and debugging with Postman • Containerization with Docker • Version Control (Git) • Testing (unit, component, integration) • Webpack

#### **EXPERIENCE**

NOV 2000 - MAY 2025 | PINKNEWS | LONDON

#### Full stack developer

- Built a custom user profile system for PinkNews, enabling enhanced personalization and account management features for users across the platform.
- Integrated a dynamic comments section into article pages using OpenWeb, fostering greater reader engagement and enabling real-time discussion and moderation capabilities.
- Built custom Gutenberg blocks for PinkNews, enabling editors to update homepage layouts independently and streamline content publishing.
- Implemented secure user authentication using OAuth 2.0 standards, enabling seamless and secure login experiences across the PinkNews platform.

FEB 2020 - NOV 2020 | WINN BROWN | LONDON

#### Web Developer

 Developed custom Squarespace websites using the developer platform to deliver fully bespoke layouts and features beyond standard templates.

MAY 2015 - FEB 2020 | BOOKING.COM | LONDON

#### Senior Custom Service Advisor

Handled bilingual support (English & Italian) via internal CMS/CRM to manage bookings and resolve issues.

- Liaised with hotel partners to fix overbookings and find alternatives in real time.
- Logged and tracked cases through internal systems to ensure consistent, high-quality service.