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Curriculum Vitae

Profile

Please note I work mainly on remote contracts. I very rarely travel to work onsite and make extensive use of mobile phone, skype and email to keep in contact with clients.

I have been developing for the Internet since 1997. When I first started out, I had no knowledge of programming and taught myself html & javascript. I quickly progressed to server side code, initially with Cold Fusion then ASP. When I started in INRS (2000), I adapted to Java & JSP, and started software/database design (MS Access, Oracle 9i, MySQL) incorporating structured and agile development methods, depending on the project's requirements. In 2005, I moved to Good Creative and started developing in PHP which required quick on the job learning. Since early 2009 I have been building custom Drupal installations, including themes and modules.

I enjoy working as part of a team striving towards a common goal. Teamwork provides opportunity to learn and hopefully to teach. I am highly organized with good time management.

Current Key Skills

- PHP 5
- Drupal 6 / 7
- MySQL & SQL
- HTML, CSS, JavaScript, AJAX, JSON
- XML, XSL, XSLT
- Campaign Monitor Integration
- Google Analytics Integration

Key Software

- Zend Studio
- Apache
- Photoshop
- Dreamweaver
- Office [xls, doc]
- Windows

Experience

Owner, Sakura Brae Ltd:

Oct 2010 – present

(Also: May 2005 - Oct 2005):

Sakura Brae Ltd is back up and running to provide freelance PHP and web development services and consultancy.

Clients include: Good Creative, Dog Digital, Bourne & Blonde Digital

- **Monday To Friday:** The site was initially built on a custom system and it was decided to move to Drupal 7. The import process required the use of the D7 migrate tool customised to import the existing data - locations, payment history, users and so on. Gmap and location along with views provide the location based search functionality. The site initially retained the existing design and has recently updated [August 2012] the look and added the 'desk

space' and 'meeting place' sections.
www.mondaytofriday.com / Design by Liam Owen

- **UK Marine Alliance:** A Drupal build with recruitment, an extranet for registered users and industry news [Note the youtube integration & search filter mechanism was built by the Blonde Digital technical team.]:
www.ukmarinealliance.com / Blonde Digital
- **Innis & Gunn:** A series of HTML / CSS / JQuery templates for integration into Sitepoint CMS. I optimised the HTML & CSS once the original HTML templates had been added to Sitepoint by the Dog Digital technical
www.innisandgunn.com / Dog Digital
- **Re:Think Skills Development Scotland:** A site to attract new talent into the financial world. Uses a Drupal 6 installation with JQuery and CSS 3 for presentation.
rethink.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk / Dog Digital

Technical Developer, Good Creative Ltd: **October 2005 – October 2010**

Responsibilities:

- Assess client's requirements, define technical scope and estimate timescales
- Liaise with the project graphic designer to build the online application
- Apache server management and site deployment
- Application testing
- Provide ongoing support
- Provide technical assistance

Work Examples

- **AEG:** Uses a single Drupal installation with a multi-site setup. Product and supplier management is through a custom Drupal module to import XML and CSV data, which provides automated navigation and details pages. The client is currently rolling the new version over all their domains on a site by site basis.
For example: www.aeg-powertools.co.uk
- **Buchanan Galleries:** 2010 DBA Interactive & Digital Media Bronze Award.
Rebuilt the existing Drupal site to provide an easier management interface and workflow. A heavily customised theme to provide guides that are easy to build and look good using JQuery, Thickbox & MagicZoom and have Facebook 'like it' integration. Traffic to the site was markedly increased and measured using Google Analytics.
www.buchanangalleries.co.uk
- **InterfaceFLOR Series 1:** A single site Drupal set up supporting English, French and Dutch translations. Updates to content that is shared by all languages (for example product images) need only be made once and will affect all translations. A customised Ubercart shopping cart which only offers free samples and provides the process flow the client required. www.interfaceflorseries1.eu

Senior Developer, Wheel Ltd:

April 2003 - April 2005:

I was responsible for all stages of a project, from the initial specification of the work required through client consultation to final deployment in a live environment and on-going support. Development was mainly Java and used JBuilder X, Eclipse and Dreamweaver MX. Most deployments were made using ANT to an Apache 2 / Tomcat 4 server.

Clients included

- **Scottish Water: Education: Island Game** (CiB Scotland Award: Best Online Communication: 2005) Key technology: cayenne database abstraction, XML with SHA encryption, Jakarta struts, MySQL) www.scottishwater.co.uk/islandgame/
- **Scottish Widows:** An accessibility report on the site led to the provision of HTML templates that met priority 2 standards. Ongoing advice & support to ensure compliance.
- **Data Discoveries Ltd:** Online registration, requiring Data Discoveries approval before data processing could proceed. A secure signed java applet parsed local data files and checked for data integrity and upload for processing. On processing completion, customer notified where to download their processed data and invoice.

Senior Developer, Itsnotrocketscience.com:

April 2000 - April 2003:

I both lead and assisted in projects to provide online applications such as a bespoke CMS built in ASP, Access database, IIS 4 Server, HTML & JavaScript used to quickly and efficiently build a number of sites for a number of companies and the Scottish Power site portal powered by Tibco and Oracle 9i.

Developer, Black ID:

Sept 1998 - April 2000:

My role was as part of a team of developers producing both client side and server side solutions mainly in ASP with some in ColdFusion. Some Flash animation work was carried out as part of a larger flash development team. Clients included Burger King, SOFA (Society of Financial Advisors), Britannia Asset Management, Tunnel Nightclub, Homelands (Mean Fiddler).

Developer, The Web Factory: Scotland:

Sept 1997 - Sept 1998:

I was the only web developer in the company. I was initially hired as a Photoshop operator and saw an opportunity to take on the coding side of the web development process. I quickly learned HTML and JavaScript and became the web technical advisor to the sales and management teams.

Photographer, Freelance / CI Media

Nov 1993 - Sept 1997:

I provided a full photographic service in photojournalism and in studio work. I was published in National Magazines (Country Life), local newspapers and Local Magazines (Meantime Magazine - Glasgow).

Education

Glasgow University: BSc (Hons) Geography (1993)

Interests

Photography: I started photography many years ago and was semi professional '95 to '97 in the days of film before the digital revolution. I was also an accomplished photographic printer – old school dark room!

Trekking: I enjoy solo trekking in the wilds of Scotland. I normally try to take routes that are not often used. In July 2010 I climbed Mt. Fuji (Japan) overnight to arrive at the summit for sunrise.