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FRONT END DEVELOPER

# PROFILE

A creative front end developer with over 23 years commercial experience, including 11 years working as a freelancer.

Has worked in graphic design, UX design and web development roles, so has expert technical skillset along with strong layout and design ability.

Highly motivated and disciplined, with a keen eye for detail. Will take the initiative, solve problems and have an eagerness to deliver work on time, and to the highest quality.

Experienced with working on large scale corporate websites, as well as smaller digital solutions.

A good communicator with a strong team ethic and key experience working within Agile scrum environments.

Has a genuine passion for the web, new technology and visually appealling design.

Maintains a motivated and focused approach to developing new skills and knowledge.

# EXPERTISE & CORE SKILLS

**Languages/Frameworks** HTML5, CSS3 (BEM), Sass/Scss, Javascript (OO/ES6), JQuery, Foundation, Bootstrap, React, PHP/MySQL, Actionscript

**Tools** Wordpress, Magento, Gulp, Grunt, Webpack, npm, Bower, Git, Bitbucket, Zeplin, Sourcetree

**Applications** Sublime Text, VS Code, Photoshop CS, Illustrator CS, Visual Studio, Axure

# WORK HISTORY

02. 2006 – PRESENT DIGITAL ONE

 **Freelancer / Contractor**

I have been self-employed for over eleven years. During this time I have worked for a varied selection of clients, including leading digital/creative agencies and large scale organisations such as ASDA, Mamas & Papas and Jet2.com.

I have also retained a portfolio of private clients of whom I work for on a regular basis.

* UI/UX design
* Front end development
* Back end development
* Email design/build
* Client facing meetings
* Project management
* Managing overseas developers
* Working with Agile scrum environments

**Technologies used:** HTML, CSS, Javascript, Jquery, Wordpress, Woocommerce, Magento, jQuery, Git, Gulp

11.1993 – 02.2006 MSC (Now Live & Breathe) – LEEDS

 **Graphic Designer / Web Designer & Developer**

My role initially at MSC was to work within a small team of Graphic Designers creating in-store POS and marketing literature for leading brands within the retail sector such as Co-operative, Peacocks Stores, Morrisons Supermarkets and ASDA. Over time I followed my passion for web design and progressed into managing all the digital output for the agency.

* Graphic Design
* Creative thinking
* Web design & development
* Client facing meetings

# FREELANCE & CONTRACT WORK

05. 2016 – 05.2017 JET2.COM – LEEDS

 **Contract Front end Developer**

* Developing new HTML/JS components
* Debugging and problem solving
* Working closely with UX/UI Design and Development teams
* Working within Agile environment

**Technologies/Apps used:** HTML (5), CSS (3), Javascript, jQuery, Git, Photoshop, Illustrator, Sourcetree, Zeplin

06. 2015 – 01.2016 ONSTATE – LEEDS

 **Freelance Front end Developer**

2 contracts over a 6 month period. During this time I worked alongside their full-time Front-end developer to create the HTML/CSS/JS for several large scale Magento projects.

This included:

* Magento theme re-skin and development
* Working alongside in-house Magento development team

**Technologies used:** HTML (5), CSS (3), jQuery, PHP, Magento, Git

03. 2015 – 06.2015 FIRST 10 – LEEDS

 **Freelance Front end/Wordpress Developer**

2 contracts over 3 month period. During this time I was involved in full-stack Wordpress site builds from PSD.

* Front end development
* Wordpress development

**Technologies used:** HTML (5), CSS (3), jQuery, PHP, Wordpress, Git

01.2013 – 06-2013 Asda.com – LEEDS

 **Freelance UX Designer/Developer**

6 month contract to redesign/build Home and Garden category pages of ASDA.com

The role involved:

* Working alongside second UX designer
* UX Design
* HTML/CSS build of page templates
* Working with in-house project management team and developers

**Technologies/Apps used:** Photoshop, Illustrator, HTML, CSS, jQuery

10. 2012 – 01.2015 GRATTERPALM (now creative race) – LEEDS

 **Freelance Full-Stack Web Developer**

Multiple contracts over a 2 year period. During this time i was involved in:

* Email Design/Build
* Web Development
* Flash Banner Development

**Technologies/Apps used:** HTML, CSS, jQuery, PHP, Wordpress, Photoshop, Illustrator

2004 – 2015 BRASS – LEEDS

 **Freelance UX Designer/Developer**

Multiple short-term contracts over an 11 year period.
During this time I mainly worked as a UX designer on large scale website projects. I was also involved in email design/development and Flash banner design/build.

* UX Design
* Email Design/Development
* UX Design
* Flash Banner Design/Build
* Flash Development

**Technologies/Apps used:** HTML, CSS, jQuery, PHP, Wordpress, Flash, Actionscript 2/3, Photoshop

06.2014 – 11.2014 BOLSER – LEEDS

 **Freelance Front end Developer**

Several short-term contracts over a 6 month period.

* Front end development
* Working in Agile environment

**Technologies used:** HTML, CSS, jQuery, Synergy CMS, Git

2010 – 2014 LOGISTIK (Now Vista) – LEEDS

 **Freelance UX Designer/Wordpress Developer**

Multiple long term contracts over a 4 year period. During this time I was involved in:

* Front end development
* Wordpress development
* Email development
* Working with in-house designers and project managers

**Technologies used:** HTML, CSS, jQuery, PHP, Wordpress

08.2012 – 11.2012 FUSE8 (Now DELETE) – LEEDS

 **Freelance Front end/Wordpress Developer**

* Front end development
* Wordpress development

**Technologies used:** HTML, CSS, jQuery, PHP, Wordpress

01.2010 – 08.2012 MADE by pi – LEEDS

 **Freelance Front end Developer**

Multiple short-term contracts over a 2 year period. During this time I was involved in:

* Development of HTML page templates from PSD/Illustrator files
* Development of HTML email templates

**Technologies used:** HTML, CSS, jQuery, PHP

01.2010 – 08.2012 MAMAS & PAPAS – HUDDERSFIELD

 **Freelance UX Designer/Front end Developer**

6 month contract. During this time i was involved in:

* Development of HTML page templates
* Development of HTML email templates

**Technologies/Apps used:** HTML, CSS, jQuery, PHP, Photoshop

# EDUCATION

1991 – 1993 NEWCASTLE COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN

 Higher National Diploma in Advertising Design (Distinction)

1988 – 1990 JACOB KRAMER COLLEGE - LEEDS

 BTEC National Diploma in Graphic Design (Merit)

1988 – 1990 WETHERBY HIGH SCHOOL

 5 GCSE’s GRADE C or above

# REFERENCES

Available on linkedin profile or upon request.