
CV - Ben Scott - Freelance Web Developer

Skills

Drupal

3 years' experience building multi-user and multi-language sites.
Writing bespoke modules and releasing them to the Drupal community.
Theming Drupal sites to designer's exact specifications.
Building social networking sites in Drupal.
Experience of versions 4.* and 5.*, as well as the new version 6.

HTML/CSS

5 years' experience hand coding standards-compliant (X)HTML and CSS (1 and 2).
Cross-browser and cross-platform compatibility.
Tableless design.
Producing sites to WAI guidelines.

PHP/SQL

3 years' experience writing functional and object-orientated coding.
Complex and efficient SQL statements.
Building a bespoke CMS in PHP/MySQL.

JavaScript/DHTML

Cross-browser DOM scripting.

AJAX

AJAX implementation using the xajax and jquery libraries.

Databases

MS Access and VBA (5 years' experience).
MySQL databases (3 years' experience).
Relational database design principles.

Design & graphics

Using layout, colour and typography to produce visually appealing and striking website design and graphics.
Designing easy to use GUIs.

Applications

Eclipse, SVN, CVS, Xplanner, Photoshop, Dreamweaver, ImageReady, MySQL, Email reaction, MS Access, MS Office.

Platforms

OS X, Windows XP & Vista, Apache, Ubuntu.

Other skills

Working closely with colleagues both remotely and within an agency.
Liaising directly with clients.
Active involvement in scrum meetings.
Leading team members in specific areas of development.

Work

Web design /development 2002-

In 2003, after two years of making sites as a hobby, I got my first paid contract: from my manager, who was leaving to set up a shop. Since then, word of mouth recommendation has kept a stream of work coming in, and in 2006 I took the plunge and became a full time freelancer. I have built sites for local businesses, NGOs, photographers, artists and local bands, developing the communication skills required for working with clients through all stages of website production.

For the past 8 months I have been contracting in London, primarily focusing on Drupal development and theming.

Recent clients:

[Natural History Museum](#) Building Species pages in Drupal - launching soon.

[Open Democracy](#) Developing custom Drupal modules.

[Rareface](#) Rebuilding www.infieldparking.com and www.playboymodel.co.uk in Drupal.

[Help The Aged](#) building [micro-sites](#) and HTML email newsletters.

[Find A Driving Instructor](#) Site design and build.

[Food Ethics Council](#) Built in Drupal.

[Warren House Bed and Breakfast](#) Site design and build.

Seaboard

When I joined Seaboard in 1999, the utilities market had just been liberalised and the company was in a state of flux. I became fully involved in developing new processes to accommodate the new market conditions. With the company's support and training I continuously developed the skills required to build more efficient systems.

In 2001 I led a small team to transfer the department's reporting from Excel spreadsheets to an MS Access database. In 2003 Seaboard was taken over by EDF Energy, and I was chosen as my team's representative to assist the convergence of the two companies' processes. In 2005 I created a departmental intranet to help disseminate information.

Brighton Peace and Environment Centre 2005

For my PG Dip project, I helped BPEC redesign and rebuild their website in Drupal. This involved interviews with staff to determine site content; usability studies for key users; mapping the content; and producing wireframes, as well as liaising with the lead developer to implement the changes.

Education

The Roseland School 1989 - 1994

9 GCSES (As)

St Austell College 1994 - 1996

3 A Levels (Maths, English, History)

Sussex University 1996 - 1999

BA Hons History (2:1)

Brighton University 2002 - 2005

PG Dip Information Studies

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