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About Me

I am a Front-End Web Developer/UI Expert who has a background in the visual arts and can design a relational database to create web applications that utilizes it. I focus most of my work on user interface design and information architecture, but have an overall knowledge of all aspects of web development. I also teach Advanced Web Techniques at Westchester Community College.

Expertise

HTML 10+years, DHTML 10+years, XHTML >6+years, CSS 10+years, JavaScript 6years, PHP (object-oriented and procedural) 4years, MySQL 4years, SQL (Oracle9i) 2years, JSP 1year, ASP <1year, .NET <1year, MS SQL <1year, C <1year, AJAX <1year, JHTML 2 years, SVN and CVS 3 years, Live Server Markup Language (proprietary object oriented language) 2 years, Photoshop 10 years, Dreamweaver 8 years, and many other web products like FTP, SFTP, SCP, and web browsers of all kinds for over 8 years. With knowledge of the following as well: Microsoft Office, Visio, and Flash. Recently added is the Spring, Tiles, and JSTL approach to JSP pages and Java MVC. I also recently took a Sun Microsystems Java course in NYC.

Employment History

May 2007 – present

Sr. Front-End Web Developer

Nickelodeon *New York, NY*

- * Started as a contract employee and hired as a salaried employee.
- * Developed the [Parents' Picks 2009](#) website.
- * Worked on 3 redesigns for the social networking website [ParentsConnect.com](#).
- * I am working on developing new functionality, new tools, and features using JHTML, JSP, and dynamo as well as utilizing my skills in XHTML, DHTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, and DOM manipulation as well as AJAX, XML, Flash and enhancing my web 2.0 standards. I learned about many other company tools like the CMS, Generic Data Collector, and Teamsite for version control and Open Deploy.
- * Worked as team lead on specific tasks and projects.
- * Received training in Java, Flash, and Agile development (SCRUM) as well as practicing that methodology on a SCRUM team.
- * Involved in the re-architecture of ParentsConnect.com including migration from Dynamo to a brand new MVC using Spring, Apache Tiles, JSTL and Subversion as a source control.

February 2007 – May 2007

Sr. Front-End Web Developer

The Designory Inc. *Long Beach, CA*

- * Worked on Shopping Cart tool enhancements for a global [Nissan](#) redesign on the nissanusa.com website.
- * Responsible for redesigning old tools and in some cases developing new tools all within a Java environment.
- * Coming from a different background, I had to learn a new development environment which included different JREs.
- * I learned and utilized the Tapestry Java Framework and integrated it into many front end tools including JSP, XHTML, DHTML, CSS, AJAX, JavaScrip. Implementing the environment on my local machine I was in charge of maintenance and doing builds to make sure the environment was accurate and up to date. All the Tapestry framework elements where utilizing CVS for version control.

* The other half of the shopping cart tools did not use the Tapestry framework but utilized its own MVC setup which forced me to learn JSP. I wrote JSP pages and used many of the same front end technologies as the other projects but these pages were all utilizing SVN for version control.

June 2006 – February 2007

PHP/MySQL Developer

LiveNation *Beverly Hills, CA*

* Worked on the corporate intranet using XHTML, DHTML, CSS, Object-Oriented PHP/MySQL, JavaScript as well as project planning.

* Built a project management tool using Object-Oriented PHP and utilizing a MySQL database, DHTML, CSS, Object-Oriented PHP/MySQL, and JavaScript to have marketing employees be able to make creative requests and then track the progress of those requests.

* I built a HR management tool to help HR manage new employees and where they go in the building and what they need to start. In this project I had to transform an existing tool from ASP and MSSQL to using PHP to connect to a Microsoft SQL DB.

* I built a tool to help marketing track click-throughs from email advertisements. I used XHTML, DHTML, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and Object-Oriented PHP/MySQL to develop the system.

* I worked as the development lead and project manager on a VIP site manager system designed and developed by myself. I used DHTML, XHTML, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and Object-Oriented PHP/MySQL to develop the system. I was the only person to work on this tool and build it from project plan and design comps to rollout.

October 2004 – June 2006

Information Systems Specialist II

Santa Barbara City College *Santa Barbara, CA*

* Update and maintain public facing website and online college.

(<http://www.sbccc.edu>) (<http://online.sbccc.edu>)

* Develop custom web applications including a 3-tier faculty professional development management system, a housing website, a content management system for departmental websites, a campus job system for supervisors and students, and many other web tools developed in PHP/MySQL as well as DHTML, HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. I developed all systems from front end design to database optimization and continue to research and develop in current and new technologies.

(<http://flex.sbccc.edu> – front end to the professional development website)

(<http://www.sbccc.edu/international> - front end to the content management system - all content is controlled by the dean of the department)

December 2002 - Present

Freelance Web Developer/UI Developer

* Building web solutions for various individual clients.

* Charity work for a 501(c) Non-profit CA corporation.

* Developed and designed a content management system for the Santa Barbara Police, UCSB Health Department, and the SBCC Health Department.

September 2001 – December 2002

Web Designer/LiveServer Developer

LiveTechnology *Port Chester, NY*

* Developed in an Object Oriented Database language called LSML as well as HTML, CSS, DHTML, and JavaScript.

* Development and design of web applications for companies like McDonalds, Blockbuster, Daimler Chrysler, and others.

* Worked on the Intranet for LiveTechnology.

February 2001 – September 2001

Web Designer

People.com *New York, NY*

* Performed daily updates to the AOL/Time Warner site www.people.com.

* Involved in implementation of a redesign using HTML, DHTML, CSS, Photoshop, JavaScript, and Fetch

June 2000 – February 2001

Web Designer

GiantBear.com *White Plains, NY*

- * Designed web portals for an m-commerce company dealing with WAP and SMS technologies.
- * Web portals that deal with the customization of Internet content for wireless devices involved JSP, HTML, DHTML, JavaScript, CSS, graphics and images created using Photoshop.
- * Involved in development of an Intranet and a Flash tutorial for the web portals.

June 1999 – June 2000

Web Designer

Bestweb Internet *Croton-On-Hudson, NY*

- * Worked as Tech Support for an ISP.
- * Attended classes in Flash, Web Design, Adobe Illustrator, and Photography.
- * Worked on websites for friends and family.

Faculty Positions

Fall 2008

Westchester Community College - Faculty – ART177 Advanced Web Techniques

Westchester Community College *Peekskill, NY*

- * Teaching a Web Design class in XHTML, CSS, table-less layouts, Flash and User Interface ideas and concepts from branding and stickiness to color theory and best practices.

Summer 2005

Santa Barbara City College - Faculty - MAT108 Web Design Tools

Santa Barbara City College *Santa Barbara, CA*

- * Professor of a web design class where I taught 30 students who did not have any web design experience how to make a website using Photoshop and HTML and eventually CSS.

Education

2006 MySQL 5.0 for Developers from MySQL.com

2005 SQL and PL/SQL SBCC IT Training

1998 N.Y.S.C.C. School of Art and Design, at Alfred University

BFA

Majored in experimental video, sonic arts (music), video installation, metal and stone sculpture. Studied graphics, painting, drawing, photography, printmaking, ceramics, color theory, and foundation programs.

Groups

IxDA - Interaction Design Association <http://www.ixda.org/>

NYC Usability Professionals' Association - <http://www.nycupa.org/>