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Web Developer & Designer



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Technical Skills

React.js
Git
HTML5
CSS + SCSS
Typescript
API usage
Javascript + using libraries
Photoshop + illustrator
SQLite4 + Knex

Kia ora tātou! I'm a web developer & designer based in Poneke (Wellington)

I've recently completed my education and am now ready to jump headfirst into the world of web development. My greatest asset is my approach to coding; I greatly value human skills and collaboration, and approach everything with curiosity. I'm comfortable being uncomfortable and confident in my ability to learn quickly and maintain positivity not just for myself but for everyone I work with. I'm seeking employment that will empower my continued learning and foster not only amazing technical skills but valuable human skills.

Experience

Dev Academy Aotearoa Jan 2024 - May 2024

Dev Academy was a 3 month intensive course. we produced real-life projects in a very fast-paced environment, logging over 800 hours. Dev Academy places a great emphasis on practical learning, and focuses on teaching the latest industry web standards. some of the key skills I learnt here include:

- effective teamwork and collaboration
- confidence in a high-paced, learn-as-you-go environment
- AGILE practices
- human skills and their role in effective development
- producing full-stack projects in-line with real life processes like gitflow and sprints
- giving and receiving actionable feedback in a productive way
- curiosity with tech as a <u>final project</u> my group of 3 learnt and implemented leaflet maps & geosearch, three.js, react autosuggest & Bulma in a week, all of which were not taught as part of the curriculum.

Spacesuit Clothing Web Designer & Social Media Manager Jan 2018 - Sep 2021

In this role I created social media content and advertising material to promote Spacesuit clothing. This role required a "jack of all trades" digital creative able to do a wide range of tasks for both print and online. My main responsibilities were:

- communicating goals and ideas across a wide range of people
- setting up a consistent style guide for promotional material
- implementing marketing campaigns using facebook ads manager
- managing photoshoots hiring models, selecting clothing, doing the photography & editing
- creating social media contests and follower interactions to drive leads
- giving personable and concise, on-brand responses to messages
- creating consistent, eye-catching posts to highlight sales or new stock

Cosmic Corner Barista & Salesperson (2IC) Dec 2014 - Jan 2016

As a salesperson and Barista at one of Cuba street's most well-known businesses my most important duty was engaging customers and providing great customer service (and great coffee!) and ensuring all customers felt welcome and left with a positive impression of Cosmic Corner. Some of my other responsibilities included:

- provide personable and welcoming communication to a diverse range of customers
- manage and order cafe food and coffee stock
- cash handling and stocktake
- opening and closing the store, often solo.
- make sales and create upsell opportunities
- organise and consistently update shop displays and mannequins

^{*}Career gaps due to health challenges. Happy to explain in further detail if requested.

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Recent Projects

Dropbear PSA a humorous website designed to raise awareness about the fictional dropbear, and allows users to upload and geocache their encounters. View here

Soundclout a personal project I'm working on in my spare time, its intention is to allow small, unknown soundcloud artists to be able to share their music

Interests

Photography
Retro gaming
Raspberry pi projects
DJ
Martial Arts
Vintage clothing & Fashion
Coffee + Mixology
Skateboarding
Live music

References available upon request

Education

Yoobee College of Creative Innovation Diploma of Web development Feb 2015 - Dec 2015

Yoobee was a one year course that served as a great introduction to web development. I learnt more advanced HTML & CSS, and was introduced to Javascript. We also touched on PHP and databasing, which gave me a taste of more advanced technologies. Everything I learnt at Yoobee would serve me greatly once I reached Dev Academy as I already had a strong foundation to build on.

Design & Arts College of New Zealand Diploma of Web development Jul 2010 - Sep 2012

Design & Arts college was my introduction to working in the digital space. We focused on adobe creative suite, design principles, photography, as well as traditional artforms and translating them to digital format. This was also my first introduction to HTML & CSS which would spark my interest in web development. I learnt many skills I still use today, particularly design principles and basic creative suite. After graduation I found graphic design to be a crowded industry and pivoted to web development as I found it the perfect way to liaise my design skills into another industry.

Key Skills

Communication

My greatest asset through both work and education have been my communication skills. I'm a naturally sociable person who is confident interacting with anybody from any background or lifestyle in both a professional and personable way. I'm skilled at translating ideas across different audiences, and have a talent for taking one person's ideas or goals and making them understandable to a completely different audience. I believe this skill will be an advantage in web development as I will be able to work with both coders and non-technical persons and bridge the gap between them so their expectations align.

Quick learner

Through my studies at Dev Academy and work at Spacesuit Clothing I became very good at learning on-the-job and not being afraid of taking on brand new challenges and being a beginner again. Every other day we were introduced to new technology at Dev Academy and I learnt to trust the process and be comfortable being uncomfortable. I believe this attitude to learning will be a huge asset to any company I work for as It will allow me to dive into whatever is required and rapidly get up-to-speed. Although I'm still at the beginning of my journey into web development I know this approach will let me quickly adapt to what my employer wants, and allow them to hone me from an avid beginner to a proficient and valuable team-member filled with the technical skills they desire.

Collaboration

Collaboration is an integral part of web development and I consider myself lucky that it was taught as such at Dev Academy. We pair-programmed everyday, and would work in groups of 5 at least once a week to produce larger projects following real life conventions like using kanban boards and splitting our project goals into sprints. I quickly learnt effective collaboration can make or break a team regardless of technical skill, and I enjoy using my human skills and great processes to ensure everybody is heard and eager to contribute, rather than being worried to share their ideas through fear of being criticized.