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SHAMELESS SELF PROMOTING BLURB

I'm an entrepreneur at heart and want to be part of a business that is striving to be ahead of the competition and growing at a speed that shocks and awes but at the same time gives a chance to take root in the territory it annexes. I come to the business table expecting greatness from the people that I work with and from myself. I strongly adopt the idea that you hire the right people and get out of their way. I feel like I'm one of those people. I have qualities that you can't teach like self-motivation, promptness, loyalty, assertiveness, intelligence, quick learning, a sense of humor, and not settling for mediocrity. And then I have the skills you can teach, which makes up 95% of the rest of my resume. So read on.

EXPERIENCE

ISP Painting

Web Application Programmer -- December 2010 - Present

Sites: isppainting.com, coremantech.com

Technologies: PHP, PEAR, JavaScript, jQuery, SQL, Photoshop, VMware, HTML, CSS, AJAX, Apache

- Created new features for our project management web applications in PHP, CSS, HTML, and jQuery
- Increased user friendliness by utilizing more AJAX than was previously present
- Refactored legacy code to meet new standards, allow for upgrades, and improve code quality
- Used MySQL to build new and convert old tables into an existing infrastructure
- Used PEAR for page templates and database abstraction
- Developed in a LAMP stack and interacted with several different servers
- Built out additional LAMP stacks when needed
- In charge of Linux system administration utilizing VMware
- Developed in an MVC standard
- Designed new front end module layouts in Photoshop
- Maintained both of the public websites that are built using WordPress

Just5Clicks.com

Senior Software Developer -- September 2010 - November 2010

Sites: just5clicks.com, fiveclicks.net (out of business)

Technologies: IIS, MS SQL, PHP, AJAX, JavaScript, HTML, ASP.NET

- Codebase was not modular when I arrived, rewrote the codebase in MVC format
- Updated security by keeping certain things offsite, protecting from SQL injection, and enforcing better passwords
- Edited ASP.NET code at beginning but ultimately rewrote it into PHP
- Automated several manual tasks that were consuming much of the work day
- Optimized SQL queries for performance, relevance, and security
- Architected and setup development and production environments using Microsoft technologies (WAMP stack)
- Started the redesign of the SCHEMA

Sears Holdings Corporation

Senior Front End Developer -- August 2009 - September 2010

Sites: sears.com, kmart.com, landsend.com, mygofer.com

Technologies: HTML, CSS, ActionScript 3, JavaScript, jQuery, Photoshop, Illustrator

- Handled daily workload in addition to special projects
- Delivered quality code under tight deadlines
- Started at Sears building ads in HTML, jQuery, CSS and ActionScript
- Moved to a more technical team building front end applications
- Built internal applications for marketing department
- Added/Improved several jQuery classes to a library that was utilized by the front end development teams

Tom Rowe and Associates

Web Designer/Developer -- March 2009 - August 2009

Sites: binghamequipment.com, amgreenpower.com

Technologies: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Flash, Photoshop, Illustrator

- Built sites from conception to launch with client collaboration
- Refactored existing plug-ins into Flash to reduce site resource load by over 50%
- Created micro-sites for new products
- Made my own design documents and mock-ups in Photoshop and Illustrator
- Moved those designs into HTML and CSS
- Built interactive site code from scratch utilizing JavaScript and CSS

Starcast Network

Digital Media Producer – July 2006 to November 2008

Sites: starcastnetwork.com

Technologies: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Flash, Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects

- Managed the front end of a streaming video site using Flash, HTML, CSS, and JavaScript
- Designed and developed motion graphics under a tight schedule in After Effects, Photoshop, and Illustrator
- Purchased video content
- Built the user interface to a video jukebox using Flash
- Managed a team of video editors and camera crews

Freelance

Web Developer -- January 2000 – Present

Sites: kerieboshka.com porthfoliodesign.com urbanwire.tv, theprisonpostoffice.com, justwaxinginc.com

Technologies: PHP, MySQL, CSS, HTML, JavaScript, ActionScript 3, Flash, jQuery, Zend, ASP, Photoshop, Illustrator, Drupal, Joomla!

- Wrote up contracts to handle terms and conditions of development work
- Designed everything that was needed from logos to mock-ups to business cards
- Bound web design mock-ups with contracts to insure no miss-communication
- First started building sites for local mom and pop shops primarily in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript
- Moved up to building sites for non-profits and online start-ups utilizing PHP, HTML, CSS, jQuery, AJAX
- Began development in Dreamweaver, and then to a WAMP stack, and now develop in a three tier LAMP stack (dev, stagings, and production)
- Used Joomla! to build a CMS for a client with a cooking website.
- Used Drupal to create modules for an advertising agency.
- Have used WordPress to create several sites, most recently an author's website/blog (twisting the framework to my needs)
- Created custom built content management systems, including an email system and a video streaming site
- Implemented shopping carts and payment portals
- Currently working on my own framework to speed up freelance development

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Advanced JavaScript, jQuery, HTML, CSS, PHP, PEAR, AS2, AS3, Photoshop

Intermediate Zend, SQL, MySQL, Joomla!, Drupal, Unix scripting(BASH), VB.NET

EDUCATION

The Illinois Institute of Art, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Digital Media Production

Elgin Community College, General education classes