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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

June 2010 – Nov. 2011

Front-end Developer (contract)

> www.jivesoftware.com

Jive Software

Portland, OR

- Led front-end development on two redesigns of jivesoftware.com. Built several microsites for Jive conferences, tours, etc. Coded lots of CSS3/HTML5/jQuery.

June 2001 – Current

Freelance Web Designer/Developer

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- Started out when we still had to make stuff work in Netscape 4.x and IE 5.x. Ugh.
- Roomed with a blind man in college, quickly learned the value of accessibility.
- I've used many technologies throughout the years, but I'm currently focussed on CSS3, HTML5 & JavaScript. I'm generally open to whatever works the best for the project/problem at hand.

Sept. 2007 – August 2009

Interaction Director

> www.addison.co.uk

Addison Corporate Marketing

London, UK

- Responsible for managing development and deployment of HTML annual reports against extremely tight deadlines for high profile and demanding clients such as Vodafone, Heineken, Unilever, RBS, AstraZeneca, WPP, ING, and National Grid.
- Involved in all aspects of the planning and development process: initial briefing with clients, sitemapping, design, prototyping, XML content import, testing, deployment.
- Managed a permanent team of 3 front-end developers and a freelance team of 10 (during busy periods); liased closely with design team to take concepts to HTML.

June 2002 – June 2006

Web and Print Designer

> www.howitworks.com

How It Works

Anacortes, WA

EDUCATION

Sept. 2006 – Sept. 2007

Master of Arts, Media and Communications Studies, Sept. 2007

Goldsmiths College

London, UK

- Awarded with Distinction in November 2007.
- Research interests: history of communication technologies, online publishing, counter cartographies, surveillance, subcultural studies, media arts.
- Dissertation subject: Surveillance, Search and Self in Google's Information Utopia.

Sept. 1999 – April 2001

Bachelor of Arts, Communications, April 2001

Trinity Western University

Langley, BC, Canada

- Graduated with Great Distinction, 3.7 cumulative GPA.
- Recipient of Gilbert W. Bassett Memorial Scholarship.
- Involved in leadership activities, student publications, media design and production.

SKILLSET

WWW

Hand-coded HTML5
Hand-coded CSS3
Unobtrusive JavaScript (jQuery)
A spot of PHP/Rails/MySQL
A dash of XML/XSLT
Subversion/Git version control
CMS integration
Accessibility testing
Cross-platform testing
Cross-browser testing

SOFTWARE

Adobe Creative Suite
Coda
OmniOutliner/OmniGraffle
MAMP
QuarkXPress
Filemaker Pro
MS Office suite
Mac OS X
Windows (ugh)
Other weird proprietary shit

OF RELEVANCE

Content
White space
Typography
Balance
Grids
Usability
Detail
Conscience
Ethics
Collaboration

RECENT WEB WORK

Full portfolio available at www.alexmahan.com

ADDISON

- > www.nationalgrid.com/annualreports/2009
National Grid's online Annual Report for the 2008/2009 financial year. Managed online project from pitch through deployment
- > www.annualreport.heineken.com/archive/2008
Planning, IA, XHTML/CSS/JS prototype development, content import, freelance resourcing, QA testing, deployment
- > www.astrazeneca-annualreports.com/2008
Planning, IA, XHTML/CSS/JS prototype development, content import, freelance resourcing, QA testing, deployment
- > www.wpp.com/annualreports/2008
WPP Annual Report for the 2008 financial year. Liased with WPP's IT team and managed all front-end development and deployment
- > www.vodafone.com/content/annualreport/annual_report09
IA, XHTML/CSS/JS prototype development, content import, freelance resourcing, QA testing, deployment

FREELANCE / CONTRACT

- > www.jivesoftware.com
Led front-end dev on 2 site redesigns. Also, HTML, CSS and JS for both public site and internal web applications
- > www.urbanhonking.com
Photoshop/interface design, HTML/CSS templates, HTML5 audio player, jQuery
- > www.teamyacht.com
Design in the browser, HTML5, CSS3, JS audio player, Wordpress integration, jQuery
- > www.yucontemporary.org/you
Horizontal scroller and other pages for Portland's fledgling contemporary art center
- > www.opaquestrategies.com
Brian Eno's classic "Oblique Strategies" remade with CSS3 transforms and a spot of JavaScript

GOALS AND INTERESTS

GOALS

- To create compelling web experiences
- To build great products with smart, passionate people
- To push the limits of the browser
- To design and develop useful mobile interfaces
- To live up to my ideals in my work
- To have fun!

INTERESTS

- Skateboarding
- Riding my bike everywhere
- Reading
- Nice food and fancy cocktails
- Hiking, camping and swimming
- JOKES

Professional and personal references available upon request