

Hello,

I am a designer/developer with over 14 years of professional experience; I love what I do and I've been doing it since before Netscape lost the first browser war. I've written code in a wide array of languages & frameworks and I've done art direction & design for numerous well-known companies and brands around the World. I have been self-employed for nearly a decade in the IT industry, and my current body of work includes work for clients such as for Rachael Ray, They Might Be Giants, Thornberg & Forester, Aspen Surgical, the Business Marketing Association, and many others.

I am accomplished in a plethora of front-end & back-end web technologies and practices, and I am an advocate for Web Standards and the W3C Semantic Web efforts. Apart from design & development, I am also experienced in various hosting infrastructures (scalable, multi-platform, and cloud), load balancing, high availability, reverse proxies, etc. Upon assignment, solo or team, I can carry a project from start to finish beginning with wireframes, mood boards, user interface design, user experience strategy, information architecture detailing, implementation, development, deployment, etc.

I've been asked a lot of times what I favor most: design, development, or infrastructure. I am passionate about each, but I tend to enjoy the UX/IA front-end and UI design/implementation process and the infrastructure/sys admin side over a solo development/code-only role.

I am seeking opportunities to build innovative websites, web applications, and interactive features using bleed-edge tech and high creativity, while continuing my personal education in interactive design, usability, Web Standards, online culture, and team management. I would like to work with an energetic & passionate team, where I can learn, teach, and be challenged.

It is also worth noting that I have practiced flextime telecommute and agile methods solely for the last 7 years. I work just as efficiently and responsibly on location as I do remote, and I can adapt to whatever convention is in place: daily standups, sprints, individual autonomy, accountable communication workflow, et al.

Please review <http://jeremyhelms.com> for a look at my client history and portfolio, and my online resume can be found here: <http://jhelms.emurse.com> (references included)

I look forward to hearing from you if you feel I might be a good fit. Equally, if you feel I am lacking in an area, or have presented myself in an adverse way, I would appreciate such feedback.

Cheers,



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Aptitude

Languages

_HTML
_CSS
_JavaScript
_Python 2.4+
_PHP 4.0+
_ActionScript 1.0+
_C#
_VB.NET
_ASP.NET
_Transact-SQL
_Visual Basic
_VBScript
_“Classic” ASP

Frameworks

_Django Web Framework 0.95+
_Prototype JavaScript Framework
_jQuery JavaScript Framework
_960.GS CSS Framework
_.NET Framework 1.0+

Version Control

_Mercurial
_Git
_Subversion

Operating Systems

_Apple Mac OS X
_Debian GNU/Linux
_Ubuntu Linux
_CentOS Linux
_Microsoft Windows 3.1, 3.11 WG, 95, NT 3.51, NT 4.0, 98, 2000, XP, 2003 Server

Servers (Web & DB)

_Apache Server 1.0, 2.0
_Nginx Server/Reverse Proxy
_Microsoft IIS 5.0, 6.0
_MySQL Server 4.0+
_PostgreSQL Server
_Microsoft SQL Server 7.0+

Mac/PC Software

_Adobe Photoshop 2.5+
_Adobe ImageReady 3.0+
_Adobe Illustrator 7.0+
_Adobe Acrobat 4.0+
_Adobe InDesign CS2+
_Adobe Flash 3.0+
_OmniGraffle Pro
_Microsoft Visual Studio 97+

Experience

_Web Design & Development
_User Interface Design (UI)
_Rich Internet Applications (RIA)
_Web Information Systems (WIS)
_Interaction Design (IxD)
_Content Management (CMS)
_E-commerce Integration
_Blog Design & Development
_Corporate Portals
_Intranets & Extranets
_Workflow Diagramming
_LAMP Deployment
_Clustering & Load Balancing

Exploring

_Compass CSS Meta-Framework
_GHRML Markup
_Erlang Programming Language
_iPhone SDK
_Android SDK

Interests

_Semantic Web
_Mobile App Development
_Open Source Development

Portfolio

JESS3

_GTM Architects Website
<http://gtm.jbcdemos.com>

The LaC Project

_Twitgift Concept Project
In beta, public launch TBA

Branch Records

_Company Website
<http://branchrecords.com>

SourceGas

_Corporate Website Cluster
<http://sourcegas.com>
<http://sges.com>
_Hosting Infrastructure
H/A & Load-Balanced

The Chopping Block

_Rachael Ray Blog
<http://blog.rachaelray.com>
_They Might Be Giants Blog
<http://tmbg.com/news>
_Quist Industries Website
<http://quistindustries.com>
_Fred Figgleshorn Website
<http://fredfiggleshorn.com>

Thornberg & Forester

_T&F Corporate Website
<http://thornberg.jbcdemos.com>

StealthShield

_Company Website
<http://stealthshieldinc.com>

Aspen Surgical

_Company Website
<http://aspensurgical.com>

Brand New World

_Lactaid.com Rebranding Pitch

Adam Lippes Fashion Designer

_NYC Viral Campaign Website

PGM Integrated

_BMA Colorado Website
<http://bmacolorado.org>
_Outlaw Customs Online Store
<http://outlawcustomshd.com>
_MCERF CMS Backend
_M2 Lending Solutions Website
<http://m2ls.net>

Background

(Company Confidential), Telecommute

Consultant 8/2009 - 10/2009

Hired on for a short term contract to work on a social media project in need of organization in various areas. Accomplishments include:

- _Introduced various tools for project organization and distributed communication, such as Pivotal Tracker (used primarily in Extreme Programming, one of various Agile Processes), numerous wiki's, 37Signals Campfire & Basecamp, and a project bug tracker.
- _Migrated the VCS from Subversion to Mercurial for a more dynamic distributed coding environment. Wrote various help documents and reference sheets to aid developers in this transition.
- _Converted the storage backend from MySQL to PostgreSQL; wrote various scripts to aid in this migration.
- _Introduced an affordable infrastructure alternative [to the existing single Slicehost "LAMP" VPS] which consisted of a scalable VPS cluster utilizing Nginx (with round-robin load displacement), Python & virtualenv containers for Django, FastCGI (via Flup, with various custom init.d scripts), PostgreSQL, Fail2Ban, Shorewall Firewall, memcached, et al.

Jupiter Brain Corporation, Destin, FL

Founder, Designer + Developer 12/2001 - 08/2009

Jupiter Brain is an interactive agency/collective with skills in web design & development, interactive experience design, user experience design, rich internet applications, usability & accessibility, high-availability deployments, programming, marketing, and technology. Aside from core operational and business responsibilities, my project-related responsibilities include:

- _Involved in all project phases; pitch, close, design, produce, develop, deploy and long-term support (LTS).
- _Writing design specs, project estimates, proposals, workflow diagrams, technical drafts, and service-level agreements (SLA).
- _Create wire frames, high-fidelity mockups, and interactive prototypes.
- _Determine project budget and development schedule.
- _Establish milestones for projects and monitor progress.

ProSTEP, Inc., Destin, FL

Associate Interactive Director 5/1998 - 2/2003

- _Hired to design & deploy micro-sites; promoted to "Webmaster" and then to Associate Interactive Director.
- _Conceptualized, developed, and directed all client & corporate creative work.
- _Cultivated, mentored, and managed creative team.
- _Collaborated and interacted with all department heads.
- _Handled multiple projects within tight deadlines.
- _Coordinated & facilitated the deployment of a multi-platform (Windows+Linux) micro-datacenter infrastructure used for the hosting of thousands of domains, with email services reaching over 2 million outbound messages per day.

Notes

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Position Desired: Full Time
Willing to Relocate: Yes

Commute Distance: Not Specified
Acceptable Travel: Up to 20%

Work Authorization: U.S. Citizen
Security Clearance: None

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References

I have known and worked occasionally with Jeremy over the past several years now. Jeremy is focused, caring and always wants to do what is right for the client. His attention to detail and level of perfection are beyond anything I've ever seen in another individual who works in IT.

"I just wanted to let you know how much I appreciate your help over the last year in designing, developing and deploying several of our websites. Your dedication and integrity in providing quality service and creative solutions, regardless of the timeframe, has been invaluable to us. When you get going on a project, you do what it takes to get it done right and on time. I am confident in recommending you for virtually any type of web project, whether small or large."

"Jeremy has been providing IT services for my small business since 2003. He has always proven very reliable and given me personal service in a more than timely manner. I often send him questions at the oddest of hours, and somehow, he always seems to just be there waiting."

Top qualities: Great Results, Expert, On Time

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