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Summary

I have been working in and around desktop environments for the last 15 years. The majority of my past employment has been on a project by project basis.

I am a multi-faceted professional proficient in digital video/audio, desktop imaging and layout, multimedia development with Director and Flash, web design and programming, web applications, databases, network development and administration as well as project management. I am a very capable problem solver and technical researcher and work efficiently in Macintosh, Linux and Windows environments.

As a reliable, self-directed worker I easily adapt to different working situations and conduct myself in a professional manner. I try to be creative in my work and keep an open mind to all possibilities.

Skills

web design / scripting:

HTML; XHTML/CSS; XML; JS; CFML; PHP; Python.

database:

MySQL; PostgreSQL; FMP; Access.

multimedia:

MM Flash / Action Script; MM Director / Lingo; AJAX.

digital video/audio:

edit and encode A/V for internet delivery, CD-ROM, DVD and tape.

desktop imaging and layout:

raster and vector image editing, design and layout for web, print and interactive GUI.

services:

IIS; Apache; Tomcat; IMAP, POP and SMTP email services; LDAP.

operating systems:

Macintosh OS X, many Linux variants and Windows (95, 98, NT and XP).

other:

project management; technical writing; grant and proposal writing; budgeting and cost analysis.

example of software experience:

MM Director, Flash, Fireworks, Freehand, Dreamweaver; Swift 3D; Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, PageMaker, Premier, Acrobat, InDesign; Microsoft Word, Excel, Powerpoint; Open Office; Quickbooks; Retrospect Backup; OpenBravo; BBEdit; Final Cut Pro; DVD Studio; Cleaner; ffmpegX; Video Lan/VLC; Ardour; File Maker Pro; PostgreSQL client/server; Now Contact/Up-To-Date; GIMP; InkScape; Apache, IIS, Tomcat and many more...

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Experience

grunt gallery 2000 - 2005
#116 - 350 East 2nd Ave Vancouver BC 604-875-9516 www.grunt.bc.ca

- Director of New Media in 2005.
- In house technician and preparator for art installations and performance events.
- Web developer, network admin, maintenance and technical support.
- Program, design and project manager for a First Nations performance website. An online archive of the 20 year history of First Nations performance at grunt. Site contains many texts, photos and videos (~4.5 hours). MM Flash GUI which reads XML formatted content. Continuously being updated. www.grunt.bc.ca/fnp/
- Technical director for Chiasma, a collaborative project between three international arts organisations: grunt gallery (Vancouver, Canada), Imperial Slacks (Sydney, Australia) and Folly (Lancaster, UK). Chiasma utilised live A/V streaming technology to investigate the potential of international exchange and collaboration through the web. Three artists (one appointed by each organisation) were commissioned to create a piece of work specifically intended for the live web cast. The performances were projected in galleries to audiences in Canada, UK, Italy, Australia and China.
- Program, design and project manager for Chiasma CD-ROM. Documentation of the performance event programmed in MM Director featuring essays, artist statements, photos and video clips.
- Program, design and project manager for Ablakela CD-ROM. Multimedia document and enhanced CD (data and CDDA on the same disk) of a performance by Dana Claxton and featuring peyote singers from the Native American Church. The CD contains video clips, photos and essays as well as the songs performed at the event.
- Advisor and technical support for Halfbred CD-ROM project.

Canadian Film and Television Production Association (CFTPA) 2002
151 Slater Street Ottawa ON www.cftpa.ca

- Youth International Internship Program through DFAIT. Placement in Mannheim, Germany at the Mannheim/Heidelberg International Film Festival.

Open Space Arts Society 2001-2002
510 Fort Street Victoria BC 250-383-8833 www.openspace.ca

- Preparator and Technician. Install and strike installations, concerts, etc. Prep and maintain gallery. Technical support and direction for live events. Network administration and computer tech.

Access To Media Education Society (AMES) 2000
Galliano Island BC www.accessstomedia.org

- lead technical person for two of their 10 day video training/production intensives for youth. Provide technical and instructional support for all areas of video production. Provided technical information and advise for equipment purchases. Installed office and on-site network as well as all software.

Western Front Multi Media 1996-1998
Vancouver BC

- Technical Director of a New Media educational program specializing in New Media development (Internet and CD-ROM) and self employment. Facilitated 16 students per term.
- network administrator and technical support. Instructor in computer hardware, networking, website design and programming.