

Back End Drupal Specialist

Available for Drupal development contracts

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Personal Profile

I have leadership, planning and estimation experience as well as advanced PHP programming skills especially with regards to providing elegant Drupal solutions for any given project. With a complete knowledge of the Drupal API, best practises and MySQL I am at my best creating custom applications but am equally capable tidying up, correcting and optimising legacy code.

Having worked in many positions both in large teams and in smaller operations I am happy, confident and productive in almost any situation and always aim to provide the most efficient possible solution to any given problem whether that be through custom development or the correct usage of contributed modules or third party services.

For a clearer picture of who I am have a look at my personal site and check out the blog and my GitHub.

Skills

- **Acquia Cloud, Agile, Apache, APIs, Apple News, Atom, AWS, Brightcove, CD, CI, Confluence, Context, Cron, Crucible, CSS, Ctools, Custom module development, Delivery, Drupal (+Optimisation), Drush, Entity, Estimating, Facebook Instant Articles, Git, Go, Google Amp, HTML, Java, JavaScript, Jenkins, Jira, JQuery, JSON, Kaltura, Leadership, Leverage of Contrib modules, Linux, Maven, MySQL (+Optimisation), New Relic, Nginx, Omniture, Open Source, Panels, PHP (+Optimisation), PHPUnit, Planning, RSS, Scald, Selenium, SEO, Simple Test, SQL, SVN, Theme Development, Ubuntu, Views, W3, Waterfall, XML.**

Employment History

Tom Gould Ltd

Drupal Developer

April 2014 - Present

With 12 years of general web and nearly 6 years specific Drupal experience I have worked on a wide range of Drupal projects small and large. I am pleased to offer the benefits of my knowledge and experience as a Drupal contractor.

With a wealth of experience I am a viable candidate for any type of development project. I pride myself on attention to detail, a grounded and pragmatic approach to development and my ability to work well with others, whether that be as part of a development team or as a sole developer reporting to stakeholders.

Bright Sites: The Independent and Evening Standard

Senior Drupal Developer

October 2015 Present (Contract)

My work at Bright Sites is as senior back end Drupal developer on The Independent and The London Evening Standard websites.

Having joined the team about 6 weeks after the migration to Drupal from a previous version I have mainly been developing new features and optimising the existing codebase to maintain a fast and fluid user experience at all times with the high volumes of traffic and complexity of a truly dynamic and reactive content driven and highly available platform in an extremely agile environment.

Turner Broadcasting Systems

Drupal Developer

June 2014 – October 2015 (Contract)

My role at Turner is as the sole Drupal developer having replaced a team of 6 permanent staff. My responsibilities include support for aspects of the Drupal sites that support these TV channels including development of new features, maintenance of existing sites, optimization of inefficient parts of the sites and management of the deployment schedule and deployment process. I report directly to the respective product owners of the channels in question and the digital media technology supervisor, this has been a varied roll including interviewing applicants, planning new builds and working with internal and external clients to deliver a multitude of non-Drupal goals.

Most recently I have been working on rebuilding the sites for Cartoonito and Boing in Drupal 7. Cartoonito is a complete rebuild, I imported all the content from the old site into the new Drupal 7 site and worked closely with a designer to get both sites looking and working well on mobile devices.

Wonga.com

Drupal Developer Lead

August 2012 - March 2014 (Perm)

My role at Wonga was varied, my main responsibilities were as lead Drupal developer on the projects I worked on, estimating, planning, developing, testing and reviewing as well as being website representative for quarterly and sprint planning.

As part of a large agile team of mainly C# developers, product owners and business stakeholders, I was the lead Drupal developer for a new point of sale product called PayLater as well preparing a Drupal website to replace the old .NET wonga.com site and adapting this wonga.com Drupal site to provide the new features as required including the Instalment Loan product they will be offering shortly as a direct replacement for the old (single instalment) loan product.

Skills used: APIs, Agile, Apache, CD, CI, CSS, Confluence, Context, Crucible, Ctools, Custom module development, Delivery, Drupal, Drush, Estimation, Git, Go, HTML, JSON, Java, JavaScript, Jenkins, Jira, JQuery, Leadership, Leverage of Contrib modules, Linux, Maven, MySQL, Nginx, Open Source, PHP, PHPUnit, Panels, Planning, Selenium, Simple Test, Theme Development, Ubuntu, Views, XML.

Tigerfish

Back End Drupal Developer

2010 – August 2012 (Perm)

My role at Tigerfish was as a back end Drupal developer in a small team of 3 developers and 2 designers/themers, handling around 100 sites, liaising with clients about their needs and desires to the planning, estimation and delivery of new projects as well as supporting and maintaining existing projects.

The majority of the work was client management, planning, custom development.

Skills used: APIs, AWS, Agile, Apache, CSS, Context, Ctools, Custom module development, Delivery, Drupal, Drush, Entity, Estimating, Git, HTML, JSON, JavaScript, JQuery, Leverage of Contrib modules, Linux, MySQL, Open Source, PHP, Panels, Planning, SEO, SVN, Simple Test, Theme Development, Ubuntu, Views, W3, XML, waterfall.

eCommerce Associates

ASP/Web Developer

2007 – 2010 (3 month contract that extended to nearly 3 years)

My role in eCommerce Associates was as a classic ASP programmer and web developer, managing the existing suite of affiliate sites as well as creating new SEO friendly sites to generate affiliate revenue. As part of this role I managed every aspect of the sites from planning, instructing the designers, content procurement & management, programming, deployment and hosting. The majority of work for eCommerce was developing strong SEO driven consumer sites before the Google Panda updates.

Summit Media

Online Marketing Manager

2004 – 2007 (Perm)

I joined Summit Media as an online media novice in 2004. Whilst there I developed my interest in marketing and web strategy and began to learn the skills I have today. I worked on the PPC campaigns for Play.com and Gameplay.com as well managing affiliates for Gifts.co.uk and working on SEO of sites under Summit management.

Employer's website;

- <http://tom-gould.co.uk>
- <http://www.turner.com/>
- <https://www.wonga.com>
- <http://tiger-fish.com>
- <http://www.ecommerceassociates.co.uk>
- <http://www.summit.co.uk>

Drupal sites

- <http://www.cartoonito.co.uk/>
- <http://boingtv.it>
- <http://www.cartoonnetwork.co.uk/>
- <http://www.boomerangtv.co.uk/>
- <http://partners.cnn.com/>
- <http://www.tnt-serie.de/>
- <http://www.tnt-film.de/>

- <https://www.wonga.com>
- <http://tiger-fish.com>
- <http://nb-wonderbag.com>
- <http://foodanddrink.nsacademy.co.uk>
- <http://sportsbeat.co.uk>
- <http://framework.thedyslexia-spldtrust.org.uk>
- <http://www.coursesforbusinessstraining.co.uk>
- <http://stroud.ac.uk>
- <http://barrington-park.co.uk>
- <http://halldale.com>
- <https://www.cotswoldseeds.com>