Christopher Brandon Merritt

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Summary

Talented experience design specialist skilled in developing engaging Web 2.0 interfaces that utilize HTML, CSS, and JavaScript/jQuery technologies. Seeking uncommon challenges and unique projects that tap into my limitless enthusiasm for all things web.

Specialties

Front-end and prototype development for enterprise-level websites and applications using HTML5, CSS3, HTML 4.0 Strict, JavaScript/jQuery, Photoshop, Illustrator and Fireworks. Front-end integration experience with PHP, ASP, JSP,.NET and various CMS platforms. Experience with Usability Standards and 508 Compliance.

Senior Experience Design Specialist

March 2009 – Present

As Sr. Interface Developer for the Aquent web team, I was responsible for the development and production of the vanity website for Aquent, litl and Vitamin Talent.

Aquent, LLC

- Created functional html templates for integration the .cms platform using Velocity
- Created Web 2.0 interfaces, utilizing HTML, CSS, and JavaScript technologies.
- Created Django templates for the ecommerce and customization platforms. Helped develop and implement blog and wiki as a business tool.
- Integrated Google analytics and Google optimizer
- Managed analytics campaigns
- Drove lead generation by collaborating with marketing to create user friendly, dynamic web campaigns

Senior Experience Design Specialist

March 2007 - February 2009

Performed as Senior Experience Designer and Consultant on large-scale client engagements for a global Interactive Agency. Key clients included Boston Coach, AIG, Old Mutual, Boston Consulting Group, Corporate Express, and Boost Mobile.

Molecular, Inc.

- Performed as Primary Information Architect, responsible for requirements gathering, taxonomies, wire-framing, and usability testing.
- Created Web 2.0 interfaces, utilizing HTML, CSS, and JavaScript technologies.
- Managed teams of offshore developers to maximize engagement margins.
- Helped develop and implement blog and wiki as a business tool.
- Wrote expert site reviews for industry publications.
- Provided thought leadership to clients and colleagues.

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Senior Web Developer

July 2005 – March 2007

Staples, Inc.

Performed as Primary User Interface Designer for the Stapleslink enterprise-level web application and as Senior Web Developer for the Staples Contract informational websites.

- Created functional HTML templates for integration with JSP coding.
- Created and maintained external facing websites, e-zines, and microsites.
- Implemented and maintained CSS styles as defined by corporate standards.
- Created e-mail marketing campaigns using Staples email marketing tool.
- Updated and maintained the Staples email marketing tool.
- Drove lead generation by collaborating with marketing groups to create user-friendly, dynamic web content.

User Interface Designer

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February 2004 – May 2005 · Contracted through Pragmatic Solutions, Inc. Performed as Primary User Interface Designer and HTML Developer for an enterprise-level web application.

- Created functional HTML templates for integration with JSP coding.
- Implemented and maintained CSS styles as defined by corporate standards.
- Serviced as a liaison between the UI and Application development teams.

User Interface Designer

January 2004 – February 2004 · Contracted through Phi Consulting

Assisted the Primary Interface Designer with creating the user interface for a portal-based web application.

U.S. Postal Service

- Designed the graphic elements used in the interface.
- Created and maintained HTML and CSS templates for dynamic content.
- Updated and troubleshot JSP pages.

Web Production Specialist

September 2003 – January 2004

- Created working HTML and CSS templates from design comps.
- New Target, Inc.
- Made routine updates to existing PHP and ASP sites, including copy and graphics.
- Designed original websites using Photoshop, Illustrator, and Fireworks.

Marketing Coordinator

February 2002 - May 2003

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- Systran, Inc.
- Designed, developed, and maintained corporate and training websites.
- Created original illustrations for use in training materials and collateral.
- Managed ISP contracts and coordinated IP changes and configurations.
- Created corporate collateral materials, proposals, and sales presentations.
- Consulted on internal development projects, providing network support, project best practices, and graphic standards and prototypes.

Web Design and Multimedia Specialist

Administaff, Inc.

July 2000 – February 2002

- Designed and maintained corporate websites.
- Created corporate usability standards for all corporate websites.
- Created and maintained graphics for websites and e-mail marketing campaigns.
- Created e-mail marketing campaigns using Responsys Direct Marketing Software.
- Drove lead generation by collaborating with e-marketing groups to create user-friendly, dynamic web content.
- Created multimedia presentations for corporate conferences/exhibitions.
- Assisted in publishing Administaff's monthly online periodical.

Education

University of Houston-Clear Lake · Houston, Texas

BA, Communications

University of Texas · Austin, Texas

Geology