

Scott Sandlan Front End Developer

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Hard Skills

Languages

JS, HTML, CSS, SASS, PHP

Tech Stacks

MERN, LAMP, WAMP, WIMP

Libraries/Frameworks

React, Next.js, Tailwind,
Express, Mongoose, Apollo,
Pug, Gulp, jQuery, Bootstrap

CMS/Publishing

Contentful, Strapi,
Wordpress, Joomla, Escenic

Ad Server Platforms

Google Studio, AppNexus

Email Marketing

Communicator, MailChimp

Tools

VS Code, Sublime, Github,
Figma, MongoDB Atlas &
Compass, AWS, Google Cloud,
JIRA, Confluence, Cloudflare,
SequelAce, Postman, Mailgun,
Mailtrap, Vitest, Jest, Adobe
XD, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe
Animate, Adobe Illustrator

Databases

MongoDB, MySQL

Summary

A resourceful and innovative Front End Developer holding an honours degree in Computer Science, with over two decades of expertise in building digital solutions across media, commercial, and education sectors. This includes working for the UK's largest media publishing company.

Specialised in front end development using Javascript libraries and frameworks, including React and Next.js. Additional hands-on back end experience with MERN and LAMP stacks and deployment through AWS and Google Cloud.

Proven track record in senior web design roles, showcasing a robust foundation in creating impactful online experiences.

Previous roles have given exposure to working on projects of varying sizes and tech stacks, from smaller SPAs for commercial clients to larger corporate platforms, both public facing, B2B and internal.

A design background has given a strong eye for detail and working faithfully to existing designs and prototypes.

Employment History

Digital Developer

Reach Creative Studio, Reach plc - Sept 2020 - Jan 2024 - Remote

Key Skills

MERN stack, Javascript (ES5/ES6), React, Next.js, Node.js, Express, Tailwind, SASS, Styled Components, MongoDB, GraphQL, AWS, Linux, Apache

Full stack developer specialising in the development, deployment and maintenance of web applications and websites within Reach plc's Creative Studio in Manchester, working remotely.

- Leading on development and deployment strategies of all studio websites.
- Work closely with other developers, UX designers, management and other stakeholders to give a cohesive solution.
- Leading the development efforts to consolidate 4 distinct B2B marketing platforms into a cohesive, unified solution using Next.js and GraphQL.
- Developing, redesigning and maintaining legacy Node.js & Express codebase serving both the internal advertising template store and an external version for US advertising design fulfilment partners to use with their own clients across the United States.
- Overseeing a diverse portfolio of React and Next.js projects ranging from static SPAs for external clients to larger securely authenticated platforms for internal teams from the Creative Studio, Commercial, Events and Editorial departments. Including dashboards for analytics and interactive maps utilising Google Maps API.
- Leveraging AWS and Google Cloud for deployment of virtual servers, databases and storage, ensuring the delivery is efficient and scalable.

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Soft Skills

Problem solver,
Creative,
Strong attention to detail,
Quick learner,
Perseverance

Certifications

AWS Cloud Practitioner,
Google Studio HTML5,
Google Studio QA

Awards

SNPA Advertising Awards Best
Cross-platform Solution 2007

Employment History

Front End Developer/Senior Web Designer

Reach plc/Trinity Mirror plc - Jul 2014 - Sept 2020 - Glasgow

- Implemented websites, rich media advertising, email marketing and landing pages from concept through deployment.
- Prototyped site builds with low fidelity wireframes and mockups prior to development in staging and deployment on live environment.
- Designed IAB standard HTML5 rich media advertising formats for clients and inhouse departments, QA tested and delivered on commercial platforms such as Doubleclick Studio and AppNexus.
- Collaborated with stakeholders to build email marketing campaigns.

Senior Web Designer

Trinity Mirror plc

Dec 2011 - Jul 2014 - Glasgow

Senior Web Designer

Scottish & Universal Newspapers (Trinity Mirror plc)

Mar 2008 - Dec 2011 - Hamilton

Web Designer

Scottish & Universal Newspapers (Trinity Mirror plc)

Mar 2005 - Mar 2008 - Hamilton

Technical Assistant

Educational Development Unit, Bell College

Jan 2004 - Mar 2005 - Hamilton

Education

BSc (Hons) Computer Science

University of Strathclyde - Completed 2002

Relevant Coursework: Algorithms & Data Structures (Java), Human Computer Interaction, Communications, Software Architecture (Java), Multimedia Information Access, Databases (Oracle SQL)

Honours Project: Design and Development of a Collaborative Recommendation System (Java)

Hobbies & Interests

With a passion for oil painting spanning over 12 years, I've utilized this artistic outlet as a means to express my creativity and to improve mindfulness.

I am also an enthusiastic DJ with experience of performing at various events.