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## Summary

- I am **creative, artistic, and resourceful**. Whatever the project I can quickly adapt; I am always ready to learn new technology or apply old knowledge in new ways.
- I **enjoy working with people** and have no trouble adapting to dynamic working environments.
- I am a **good problem-solver**. Nothing is more satisfying than finding just the right solution to a tricky design problem.
- I have developed **strong multitasking and organizational skills** to stay on top of my many interests.
- I am **flexible, hardworking and conscientious**, with a strong belief in **attention to detail**.
- I have **three years of experience** working with large governmental and corporate clients as well as small business.

## Education

**University:** University of Guelph: Bachelor of Arts Honours  
Major in Studio Art  
Secondary focus on Computer Science and Philosophy

**College:** Haliburton School of the Arts  
Photo Impressionism, Summer 2003  
Advanced Individual Studies (drawing and painting), Summer 2004.

**High school:** Lindsay Collegiate and Vocational Institute

## Skills/Technologies

- Graphics – Illustration, Photography, Videography
- Communication – Oral, Visual, Written
- Programming Languages – (X)HTML, CSS, PHP, AJAX, Actionscript, Java, Python, C++, MySQL
- OS – Windows, Mac, Linux (experienced with command line administration and development)
- User Interface Design, SEO, Accessibility and standards compliance
- Good understanding of the MVC design pattern and its application to CMS design and development using open source technologies such as Zend, Joomla, Drupal and Wordpress
- Proven ability to utilize open source software such as jQuery and the jQuery UI framework to develop flexible, 'themeroller ready' web applications

## Software

- Graphics – Photoshop, Illustrator, Flash, Lightroom, Painter, Premier, After Effects, 3ds Max, Blender, The GIMP
- Coding – Dreamweaver, Flash, Aptana, Eclipse, TextMate
- Sound – Ableton Live, Audition, Reason, Max/MSP, Audacity, Pro Tools
- Other – SVN, CVS, Git

## Recent Work Experience

**Employer:** Engage Learning Systems (September 09 to present)

Client: Rose Reisman Catering – <http://www.rosereismancatering.com>  
Services Provided: - Internetsecure e-commerce integration for custom php site.  
Completed: March 2010

Client: Personal Gourmet – <http://www.personalgourmet.ca> (can demo in person)  
Services Provided: - Designed and built dynamic jQuery based Joomla e-commerce component  
Completed: January 2010

Client: Breakfast for Learning – <http://www.breakfastforlearning.ca>  
Services Provided: - Migrated existing HTML site to dynamic Joomla CMS  
- Carried out various usability enhancements  
Completed: December 2009

Client: Aboriginal Human Resource Council  
Services Provided: - Designed and developed template for an online Survey using the open source survey application, 'Limesurvey'  
- Provided client side form validation and interface design using jQuery UI on advanced Zend based web application for apprenticeship candidate management.  
- Designed user interface for video portal with integrated google maps mashup.  
- Implemented social networking solution using JomSocial Joomla component.  
Completed: November 2009

**Employer:** Pitney Bowes

Client: Foodland Ontario – <http://www.foodland.gov.on.ca>  
Services Provided: - Site refresh, Consultation, HTML, CSS, Dreamweaver template work  
Completed: January 2009

**Freelance:**

Client: The Royal Cupcake Company – <http://www.theroyalcupcake.ca>  
Services Provided: - Illustration, Photography, Custom Wordpress CMS including gallery and e-commerce solution, as well as on-site training  
Completed: July 2009

*References available upon request.*

## About Me

- I contribute code to the open source, java based program “Pages” for the Monome device (monome.org) and am in the process of developing a Max/MSP based control interface.
- I built my own custom Monome from a kit, and am in the process of building an Arduinome.
- I earned my Black Belt in Jiu-Jitsu and Blue Belt in Karate.
- I design and build acoustic stringed instruments, including an oversized hurdy gurdy.
- I have presented my art at a number of galleries including Mercer Union, McDonald Stewart Art Center, Lindsay Art Gallery, and Zavitz Gallery.
- I make electronic music as Island Dweller.
- I watch a LOT of movies and have way too many books.
- I sell paintings and drawings at various outdoor art fairs.
- I try to stay active: Biking, Soccer, Snowboarding, XC-Skiing, Windsurfing, Swimming, Martial Arts, Badminton, Tennis