

Jamie Carruthers Web Designer

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Web design is my passion and I work very closely with my clients to ensure they get the results they require. I have several years experience designing for screen, for clients in both the UK and USA. Attention to detail, excellent problem solving skills and bags of enthusiasm are just a few of the qualities I can bring to your project. I am currently available for commissions so please get in touch.

Work Experience

Digital Designer at Carrumbus.com: 2009 - current

I work as a freelance web designer and digital illustrator from Dundee.

Many of my clients are other artists who require website portfolios. Confident working with a range of website code, such as ActionScript and Javascript, I use whichever method will meet and exceed the client's needs and expectations. I frequently push my boundaries by learning new techniques. Recently I have been practicing responsive design, incorporating it into all my projects.

During my spare time I enjoy working on self-initiated illustration projects. I am currently building a series of vector artworks depicting iconic London buildings.

Webmaster for The Milton Agency: 2012 - current

The Milton Agency represent hair stylists, make-up artists, costume designers and technical staff for film, television, and editorial. My initial task was to tidy up their website, manage existing portfolios and create new client portfolios. Subsequently, I rebuilt the entire site to clean up the HTML and Javascript code written by my predecessor. During this rebuild I improved browser support and compatibility; the agency appreciated the improved online user experience.

Web Designer for Pearl Handed Revolver: 2011 - current

Pearl Handed Revolver is a Blues band rising in popularity in both the UK and the US.

For the band I designed and built two websites from the ground up. Each site was themed and launched for a new album release. The first website was Flash driven, and the second built using Javascript. The main consideration during this project was organising all the content to be cross-compatible across a range of devices. As the sole developer for this project I am responsible for ongoing site improvements and maintenance.

Head of Design for This Weekend London: 2010

This Weekend London was a monthly event guide running for 6 issues as a monthly publication.

My role was to prepare the entire layout, organise content, and export the design directly to the printers. In addition, I created illustrations and advertisements for the magazine; Adobe InDesign and Illustrator were used. I often took the responsibility of an editor's role, in preparing and ensuring the magazine's quality before print. Numerous meetings were held to understand the magazine publisher's ideas and to discuss how they could be implemented.

Skills and Software

2D

Dreamweaver
InDesign
Illustrator
Photoshop
Flash
After Effects

Code

ActionScript
Papervision 3D
HTML/CSS
Javascript/Jquery

3D

3D Studio Max
Mudbox
Vray
Realfow
Google Sketchup

Education

Arts Institute at Bournemouth (currently Arts University Bournemouth)

Bachelor of Arts in Illustration with honours: 2006 – 2009

Throughout my degree I dedicated time to familiarising myself with Adobe Creative Suite. Whilst learning Dreamweaver my passion for web design was sparked. In my final year I was helping many of my classmates to build their own personal websites.

ABC Accredited Short Courses: 2007 - 2008

3D Studio Max
Model making
Dreamweaver

National Diploma in Fine Art: 2004 – 2006

I enjoyed experimenting on a huge variety of art and design projects during this course. I began to develop my understanding of composition, colour and typography.

Additional Information

Member of the Thames Barrier Print studio in 2012

My hobbies include model making, printing and digital 3D illustration.

During art college I was employed part-time as a sales assistant at Tesco.

References are available on request.