

GARETH WALTERS

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GRAPHIC/WEB DESIGNER & WEB PROGRAMMER

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SUMMARY

I aim to create innovative, useful, aesthetic, understandable, unobtrusive, honest, long-lasting, thorough to the last detail, environmentally friendly, (when applicable,) and overall—simple design. (I.e., the Dieter Rams approach.) Though I carry a heavy interest in design, I have greater professional experience with programming—as the need is often more pronounced. However, I believe the strongest programmers are those with design appreciation.

I began experimenting with programming at the age of 10 (1997) and began interest in Flash design and motion in 2001. Since then, I've learned to use (and often master) nearly every major program in the industry. I have a strong philosophy of design as it relates to programming, e.g., using modern grid practices and intuitive wire-frames to make a programmer's job easier. I believe programming should be an extension of good design—every pixel and every millisecond of an animation (for instance) is meaningful.

EXPERIENCE

- HTML, CSS, JavaScript (jQuery,) ActionScript 2 & 3, and PHP (with SQL) using Adobe Flash and Dreamweaver.
- Familiar with object-oriented programming and design patterns.
- Great history of website and logo design experience with Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign.
- Video development with Adobe Premiere and expressions programming with Adobe After Effects.
- 3D static and animated design experience with Autodesk Maya, MAXON Cinema 4D, Blender, DAZ 3D Bryce, and Poser.
- Audio/music production with Steinberg Cubase, Adobe Soundbooth, and Sony Vegas.
- Developed dynamic multilingual applications in Flash.
- Co-developed content management systems in PHP and AS3.
- Written websites using the latest standards—e.g., with the aid of HTML5 Boilerplate.

HISTORY

FEBRUARY 2011:

Designer/developer

Curious Minds, Beverly Hills

SUMMER 2010:

Freelance

design/development

SPRING 2010:

Contract Flash developer

MRM, Birmingham MI

2007–SPRING 2010:

Multimedia

designer/developer

Media Genesis, Troy MI

2005–2007:

Freelance

design/development

EDUCATION

2005–2007:

Attended Washtenaw

Community College before

leaving to work full time in

web design.