Tom James

Drupal, Wordpress & Web Developer

Roles Sought

- Drupal developer
- Drupal themer / frontend developer
- Drupal consultant / advisor / trainer
- Wordpress/WooCommerce consultant / developer
- Technical project management
- PHP developer / consultant

Summary

I am a British Web, Drupal & Wordpress developer currently seeking remote contract opportunities.

I am proficient in all aspects of frontend & backend Drupal development including site installation/maintenance/updating, troubleshooting, custom module and theme development, installation profiles, Drupal coding standards and training and third-party API integrations like Salesforce.

To date I have been involved in or lead developer on over 30 Drupal projects, including projects for high profile clients like Amnesty Norway, Adobe, Linux and Warner Brothers.

I have over **14 years experience** with working with Drupal project.

I'm also proficient in all aspects of Wordpress development & site building as well as WooCommerce based eCommerce.

The majority of my experience has been as a remote worker so I am a good communicator and am very experienced with working with clients in different timezones and location. I am organised, adaptable, work well under pressure, learn quickly, keep to deadlines and am equally at ease working alone or as part of a team.

Away from client work, I am the founder of **Themelize.me** which sells Bootstrap themes & have a number of other side projects using different technologies.

When I'm not working I'm with my family & kids, I also love to travel and have lived in several different countries in the last 10 years. I also enjoy sports especially football (soccer) and keeping fit.

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Drupal.org Profile:
http://drupal.org/user/40576

Locations:
Sweden

Languages Spoken:
English (native language),
intermediate Swedish

Skills Profile

- Expert Drupal theme & module development skills
- Expert Drupal API knowledge
- Expert Drupal knowledge in general
- Expert level CSS3/HTML5 coding skills
- Technical project lead/management
- Advanced knowledge of web scraping (PHP & node.js)
- Advanced knowledge of API integrations
- Advanced knowledge of Bootstrap 3 & 4
- Advanced knowledge of LESS & Sass
- Advanced PHP & MySQL knowledge
- Advanced jQuery/Javascript knowledge
- Advanced Photoshop & Fireworks skills
- Advanced psd to HTML/Drupal theme skills
- Advanced knowledge of creating social networking sites with Drupal
- Advanced knowledge of W3C Standards Compliance
- Advanced knowledge of gulp & task runners
- Intermediate to Advanced Wordpress & WooCommerce knowledge
- Intermediate Ghost knowledge
- Intermediate SEO knowledge
- Intermediate knowledge of GIT, Subversion & CVS
- Intermediate to advanced server knowledge

- Knowledge of AngularJS & Vue.js
- Knowledge of Social Media
- Knowledge of Open Source applications
- Knowledge of Joomla
- Basic knowledge of Flash & AfterEffects

Experience & Employment

I have been a self employed web developer, specialising in Drupal-based projects, since **2003**.

I have also spent most of my working life are a completely remote worker so take pride in communication & setting my own schedule to ensure the best possible productivity for myself and clients.

Although most of my work has been carried out as a lead developer or working alone, I am equally as comfortable when working as part of a team. My clients have ranged from architects, theatre companies, photographers, holiday companies, social networking sites, HR consultancy, design companies to the fields of education, tourism and health.

From **September 2007 to May 2011** I worked as a remote Drupal Developer on a contract basis for Vancouver-based Drupal shop, **ImageX Media.** I also spent 9 months working "in house" in Vancouver.

Away from the development process I also have a detailed understanding and knowledge of the complete project process from design and discovery, information architecture, content preparation, site building, usability, quality assurance, client liaison and to a small degree, project management.

During **early 2010** I acted as Drupal consultant for **829LLC.com** during the creation of a Drupal based community site (**http://thelicensingnetwork.com**).

From **April 2011 to August 2012** I contracted for Norwegian based company **Front Kommunikasjon** during which time I was a lead developer & consultant on several major projects. I also helped train employed staff on Drupal.

From **April 2012 to December 2016** I returned back to contracting with **ImageX Media** where I act as a consultant carrying out development tasks, project estimations & site auditing.

From **Feburary 2017 to November 2019** I worked as a Drupal developer for another Norwegian Drupal company called **Ramsalt Lab AS** who specialise in Drupal-based magazine & newspaper solutions.

From **November 2018 to ongoing** I started as a Wordpress/WooCommmerce/Drupal consultant/developer on a range of projects as a subcontractor for **Mild Media AB** which is a full digital design agency based in Gothernburg, Sweden.

From **August 2019 ongoing** I took over Wordpress/WooCommmerce consultancy & maintenance for **Sandlund&Hossain** which sells sustainable bags & accessories.

Example Projects

Examples of projects for which I have been wholly or mainly responsible:

- **wolterskluwer.se** - Lead developer & consultancy for Drupal site development & Salesforce API integrations on multiple sites, on behalf of Mild Media AB.
- **Hotscreen.se** - Lead developer & consultancy for Wordpress/WooCommerce site development on behalf of Mild Media AB.
- **sandlundhossain.com** - Lead developer & consultancy for Wordpress/WooCommerce site development.
- **eplfixturestoday.com** - personal Drupal/PHP/nodeJS-based project involving web scraping.
- **Legespesialister.no** - Developer & lead developer for Drupal 8 site development.
- **Amnesty.no** - Developer & lead developer for Drupal 8 site maintenace.
- **DrupalGigz.com** - Web scraping personal project for aggregating Drupal based jobs.
- **Expo.se** - Lead developer for site build & migration to Drupal.
- **Linux.com concept** - Developer & lead developer for initial concept of redesign
- **Linux Foundation Events** - Lead developer for previous site redesign
- **Zenoss.com** - Maintenance manager
- **SevOne** - Lead developer & maintenance
- **Themelize.me** - Personal project building Bootstrap themes
- **BootBites.com** - Personal project about Bootstrap
- **Trinity University** - Multiple maintenance and redesign project
- **Trinity Western University** - Frontend developer, site builder
- Aften Posten Gode Tilbud - Lead developer of development team for project for Norways largest newspaper - no longer online
- **Aftenposten K** - Lead/sole developer
- **eiti.org** - Lead developer
- **www.acrobatusers.com** - Lead developer
- **www.howtodothings.com** - Lead developer/front-end performance consultant

- **www.npc.edu** - Lead developer
- **www.yucatantoday.com** - Lead developer
- **www.uscatholic.com** - Lead developer
- **www.mgfitnessstudio.co.uk** - Sole developer

For a full and updated list of projects, please visit: **http://tomswebstuff.com**

Achievements/Awards

- Winner of 2 Envato theme awards for a **Ghost theme** developed for Themelize.me.
- Co-founder of **Themelize.me** - sold to over 5000 customers worldwide.
- Founder of **EPLFixturesToday.com** - ongoing development.
- Founder of **drupalgigz.com** - ongoing development.
- Founder of **DrupalSN.com** aDrupal Social Network with over 8000 members to date which was featured on the drupal.org frontpage in September 2008.
- Presenter at 2009 **Victoria DrupalCamp**
- Lead developer on **Northland Pioneer College website** which won silver Paragon Awards from the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations (NCMPR) at the organization's annual conference in Albuquerque, N.M., March 14 – 16, 2010. - **http://www.npc.edu/about-npc/who-we-are/web-site-award**
- Extreme Customer Contributor award - Jan 2011 awarded by **ImageX Media**
- Presenter at 2010 **Pacific North West Drupal Summit**
- Maintainer of modules on Drupal.org including the **Profile Setup API module, Context Rules, Flag Friend Rules** and **User Notifications**.

Education

I have a Higher National Certificate (HNC) in Multimedia. The course covered all areas of Multimedia including sound, animation, video production, story boarding as well as web design & development. It was during my 2 years of study I discovered my passion for Web Development.

Testimonials

"Tom is an excellent developer and a very thoughtful colleague. Open minded person, solutions-oriented and great team player. During our ~3 years of working together in Ramsalt I got a lot of inspiration from him, and his code's quality was always a good example for me. He has a positive attitude and he's very easy to communicate with." *Stathis [Efstathios] Papadopoulos, Senior developer at Ramsalt Lab.*

"The very first impression I got from Tom was from day one when I started at Ramsalt Lab, that very scary day that you don't know anyone in a new company and I remember Tom was such a warm person that started the very first official conversation I had just to say hello and welcome me aboard! that shows a great personality right there Technical wise, I remember a time when he handed over a project to me just to babysit while he was on a vacation, just looking at the code, I was blown away with how clean and thoughtful it was written, documented and the effort put into it just to do things the right way For sure Tom as a senior developer will always be the go-to guy for me, having him in your team is a great opportunity" *Sohail Lajevardi, Drupal Front-end developer at Ramsalt Lab.*

"Great guy to work with. We had a nice time together at Ramsalt where we worked on big and exciting projects like Expo.se Amnesty International Norge among others." *Daniel Andersson, Marketing & sales at Ramsalt Lab.*

"We've had a fantastic working relationship with this person. We communicate our needs in as accurate and developer-specific language as we can and he translates them into what Drupal or Acquia can do for us. He's been an amazing partner as a go-to developer.
Jeanna Balreira, **Trinity University***.*

"It was a great pleasure working with Tom on multiple projects at ImageX. He is one of the senior developers who always had a keen eye on how to make things more efficient and user friendly. Tom always carried with him a very positive "can-do" attitude and no doubt "did-do". He has excellent communication skills where he is able to bridge the gap between technical jargons and be able to break it down to someone in a more comprehensive manner. I highly recommend Tom to anyone who is looking for a highly qualified Drupal developer."
Sangeeta Ben, Agile Project Manager at Mobify.

"Tom is a reliable, dedicated and well-rounded developer who has a unique skill set as a Drupal developer who is able to tackle some of the most challenging problems both frontend and backend of Drupal site-building. It was a pleasure working with Tom and I hope that our paths cross again in the future as colleagues."
Aaron McGowan, Drupal Lead.

"We needed a simple web site set up quickly. Tom did a great job. He was able to create clarity from some pretty vague ideas and responded quickly to deliver exactly what we needed. The Wheel website has generated unsolicited, positive feedback from visitors and I have no hesitation in recommending Tom's work to my professional network."
Chris Thomas, Founder, **The Wheel Consultancy***.*

"For a number of years Tom has been a go-to developer for ambitious projects with tight deadlines. Tom's dedication to his work and efficiency make him an invaluable member of our team. One of Tom's greatest assets as a developer is his understanding of design

and overall user experience concerns. These cross functional skills are difficult to find. Even more difficult to find is a developer with all of these skills and a deep knowledge about what makes a successful Drupal implementation. I highly recommend Tom and would not hesitate to work with him again given the opportunity."

*Rick Vugteveen, VP of Technology, **ImageX Media***

"Tom is a very skillful drupal developer who can embrace tight deadlines and deliver everything on time with perfection. Aside co-worker he is a good friend who knows how to enjoy life away from the keyboard. Definitively one of the quickest Drupal developers I ever worked with. Precise, focused and organized."

*Alex Jonatan Ventpap, Interactive Designer, **All-x.ca***

"Tom's done full time freelance Drupal development for ImageX Media for the last couple of years in the UK. He's been doing such a fantastic job for us that we invited him to come over and work with us in-house. We've really been impressed with Tom's work ethic, great ideas and the quality of development he does. He's is a solid, loyal team member who is well respected by his teammates and our clients. He continues to impress with his innovative & entrepreneurial mind both in the projects here at ImageX and with his endeavors on his personal startup **DrupalSN**."

*Glenn Hilton, President/Creative Director, **ImageX Media***