

Steve Dennis

Web Designer / Frontend Developer

Hook

Steve is an experienced and talented designer and front end developer with a passion for usability, accessibility, and great user experiences.

8 years industry experience has not dulled his desire to learn, and he is constantly exploring new and exciting facets of the web as it evolves.

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Skills **Expert**
Web / Interface Design
Frontend HTML / CSS
Wireframe Prototyping
Accessibility

Intermediate
Flash Design
Print Design
Logo / Branding Design

Working Knowledge
Actionscript
jQuery
WPF / Silverlight Design

Languages English language

Weapons of choice
Adobe Photoshop CS4
Microsoft Visual Studio 2007
Adobe Flash CS4
Adobe Illustrator CS4
Microsoft Office 2010

Opera
Safari
Firefox
Google Chrome
Internet Explorer 6+

Interests Playing Guitar
Writing Music
Rock Climbing
Photography
Film

Social <http://twitter.com/subcide>
<http://uk.linkedin.com/in/subcide>
<http://last.fm/user/subcide>
<http://myspace.com/scarabraenz>

Experience

Enlighten Designs

Lead Designer

May 2003 – April 2010 (6 years 11 months)

In 2003 Steve took on responsibility for all the design, and slicing of websites for Enlighten. This evolved into the role of Lead Designer as he built up and lead a team of 5 designers.

Key Responsibilities / Achievements

- Designing and developing visual solutions for a wide range of clients
- Ensuring the design team output quality work through effective creative direction
- Developing best practices and processes in the areas of design and HTML/CSS
- Researching new methods, tools, and technologies to aid frontend development
- Training junior and intermediate team members, and offering them support and guidance
- Meeting with clients to discuss and define design direction for their projects
- Designing and developing Vadmin, Enlighten's flagship suite of CMS applications
- Representing Enlighten at industry events throughout the country and overseas

Designer & Web Developer

September 2002 – May 2003 (9 months)

In late 2002 Steve's internship ended and he was brought on full time as a designer and begun the process of learning HTML/CSS development.

Key Responsibilities / Achievements

- Designing and developing visual solutions for a wide range of clients
- Transitioning the company from tabular layouts to CSS Layouts
- Driving the company to adopt web standards

Junior Designer

October 2001 – September 2002 (1 year)

While still studying, Steve began an unpaid internship at Enlighten that would end up lasting a year.

Exploits

Full Code Press 2007

Designer

August 2007 (24 hours)

In 2007 Steve was selected to represent New Zealand in FullCodePress, an Australasian "Build a site in 24 hours" competition. He designed the look and feel of the site which helped his team reign victorious over the Aussie team. He returned in 09 to serve as a selector to help choose the Kiwi team (who beat the Aussies for the second time in a row).

Waikato University Graduate Projects

Industry Representative

December 2007

Steve was asked to help mark the Waikato University's graduating design student's end of year projects, as an outside representative of the local design industry.

Education

National College of Multimedia Technology

Certificate in Advanced Multimedia, New Media

2001 (1 year tertiary course)