

About

I am an aspiring web developer from a small seaside town in North Wales. I've earned a degree at Manchester Metropolitan University. For the past two or so years I've been working as a freelancer providing a 'Jac' of all trade service when it comes to computers or technology. After 2 years back in North Wales, the desire for the big city life had grew too much. In late 2016 I decided to move back to Manchester where I could concentrate solely on becoming a web developer. I currently enjoy working on my personal projects, mainly based around the Laravel and Vue.js ecosystem, and would love to work with these or similar technologies with a team of like-minded people.

Education

- **Manchester Metropolitan University** Manchester, UK
Bachelor of Science in Computer Games Technology (2:1) Sep. 2011 - May. 2014
 - Relevant Courses: Computer Systems Fundamentals, Web and Multimedia, Professional Development, Algorithms and Data Structures

Projects

- **Finance/Budgeting Web App** February 2017 - Present
Solo Project *Laravel, VueJS, Bootstrap*
 - My latest project is a recreation of a budgeting desktop app named You Need A Budget 4. It uses Laravel for the backend and VueJS in conjunction with Bootstrap for the frontend. As of early March it is close to feature parity with YNAB4, mostly lacking in the development of the Budget and Reports sections, both of which are on track to be implemented in the next milestone version of the app.
- **Personal Dashboard** July 2016 - Present
Solo Project *Laravel, VueJS, MDL*
 - My first real project using Laravel was the adaptation of a dashboard created by the folks over at Spatie.be. After some changes, the project was no longer a landscape and read-only dashboard; but a 2-way interaction based, mobile-friendly dashboard with API interactions to services that allows the viewing or control of media (Twitch.TV), lights (LIFX), weather forecasts (Wunderground), and football fixtures (football-data.org).
- **'League of Legends' Player Stats** October 2016 - December 2016
Solo Project *Laravel, jQuery, Bootstrap*
 - This project allows users to view their stats for a game called 'League of Legends'. This project was a learning experience as my general knowledge of Laravel greatly increased, as well as being forced to become more efficient when making API requests, due to the developer's API key provided being heavily rate-limited. I was able to alleviate much of these issues by making separate AJAX calls when needed as opposed to loading everything upfront.

Skills

Web Development: Laravel, VueJS, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery

General: Windows, Linux (Ubuntu), Git, Agile, TDD, Visual Studio Code

Interests

Gaming, Home Automation, Maintaining Projects, Reading Technology News/Blogs