

Curriculum Vitae of Jack Nortje

Frontend Portfolio: <http://jacknortje.com/>

Github profile: <https://github.com/JackNortje>

Summary

In 2021 I decided to change industries, having worked in the Cape Town Film Industry for 5 years. I started out working on production teams for many different companies and transitioned to a behind the scenes photographer shooting scenes on many high budget shoots such as PlayStation, BMW, Mercedes Benz and many more. Prior to the transition, I spent 12 months focusing on learning to become a Frontend Developer using technologies like HTML5, CSS, SASS, JavaScript, and React.js. I am self-taught using a few different online sources, such as Udemy, freeCodeCamp, and The Odin Project. You can review the apps and projects I built whilst learning within his GitHub portfolio link above.

I joined the Bluegrass Digital team as Quality Assurance Tester in December 2021, working alongside many great developers. My strong creative/photographic background means I have a good eye for detail and the cosmetic side of QA. My strong technical background has enabled me to troubleshoot JSON files, inspecting elements and the Frontend code using dev tools and work on projects as a Frontend Developer, fixing styling and functionality issues raised by other QAs. My ability to learn new technology quickly has allowed me the opportunity to work for 2 big UK tech companies (Huumun and Lab) during my time at Bluegrass. I have a strong passion for development and working closely with developers to create amazing software.

Professional Skills

- Jira Agile project administration and support
- Good technical knowledge (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)
- JSON / XML manipulation to test data
- Umbraco/WordPress and WooCommerce/Drupal/EPiServer CMS
- Experience using GIT
- Automated test execution using Katalon Studio and Rainforest
- Microsoft Suite of products (O365)
- Good knowledge of web & mobile technologies
- Device Compatibility Testing – Android & iOS
- Browser Compatibility testing (Chrome, FF, IE, Safari & Edge)
- Ability to communicate effectively with business and technical staff
- Creating acceptance criteria and test cases
- Manual tests execution
- Defect logging (JIRA)
- Strong communication

Work Experience

Bluegrass Digital

Quality Assurance Analyst

December 2021 – current

- Testing websites and mobile applications, on numerous browsers and physical mobile devices to find issues/bugs
- Cross platform testing large Website Applications; and Mobile Apps (iOS, Android)
- Good creative eye and the ability to review designs against the final product and pick out those minuscule 1-pixel bugs
- Automated testing using Katalon Studio for my BAU client
- Automated testing using Rainforest
- Strong 'hands-on' debugging abilities with a talent for being in the user's shoes and troubleshooting both functional and usability issues.
- Logging & tracking bugs within JIRA and effectively communicate issues to developers
- Proactively ensures that Project Managers are kept up to date with work progress
- Content Management platforms Bluegrass uses (Umbraco, EPiServer, WordPress)
- Monthly client Platform Operations as per agreed SLA process and includes regression testing
- Loading content for website projects through the chosen CMS platforms
- Good organizational and time management skills, with the ability to comfortably juggle multiple projects/tasks
- Learning about Search Engine Optimization (SEO) and how to test for it from a QA perspective
- Learning about Google Analytics and how it should be implemented, so that it can be tested from a QA perspective

Freelance

Photographer / Designer

January 2019 to December 2021

- Photographing models and behind the scenes on commercial shoots
- Logistics of photoshoots
- Photo editing in post-production using Lightroom and Photoshop
- Managing social media accounts
- Animation of drawings for architects to bring them to life.

Freelance

Assistant / Coordinator

December 2016 to March 2019

- Working hand in hand with production managers on international commercial shoots

- Assisting all departments on film sets to achieve the shots needed
- Developing spreadsheets for production planning
- Planning international client itineraries
- Maintaining local and international client relationships o Booking local crew, transport, and shoot locations
- Communicating with international clients to achieve the best shooting conditions and locations
- Assisting with the wrapping of production after the shoot

Measurement Plus (Australia)

Valve Technician

May 2018 to OCT 2018

- Stripping and inspecting valve parts to quote clients
- Recording of valves moving in and out of the workshop
- Testing valves
- Building many different types of valves for clients

Education

freeCodeCamp

2021

Responsive Web Design

The Odin Project

2021

Foundation and JavaScript courses

CPUT

2013-2016

National Diploma in Nature Conservation

SACS High School

2007 - 2011

Matric Exemption Pass