

# RUDI VISSER

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## Personal Profile

I am a young and motivated professional web and software developer with a can-do attitude towards my work. I have strong time management and organisational skills which helps to manage projects and make sure that they get completed before the deadline, even when working with or managing others.

I get on with almost everyone at any professional or personal level, making good relationships with those around me, and I am more than happy to work as part of a team, or manage my own where necessary. I'm both innovative and resourceful when it comes to software and web development, and have led several popular web projects of my own. I have an ability to work much faster than most other developers when performing the same or a similar task.

The ideal position that I am looking for right now is a senior development role where I am given the ultimate responsibility to manage a project from start to finish, and being able to take the required control to steer development in the right direction.

## Relevant Skills

- **Strong Web Front-End Development** – XHTML1.0, HTML5, CSS 2.1(-3), Javascript
- **Strong Web Back-End Development** – PHP 5.3, ASP.NET C# (.NET 4, MVC), Python (Intermediate skills)
- **Other Web Development** – AJA Technology, AJAX (Utilising JSON)
- **Strong Database Design / Setup / Administration** – MySQL, MSSQL, SQLite
- **Networking / Data Transfer Architecture + Development** – XML, JSON, TCP/UDP Packet Design / Construction
- **Strong Windows Software Development** – C# 3+ (Using both WPF and Windows Forms for UI), .NET Framework (from v2.0, preferably v4), C++, Managed C++ (C++ / CLR)
- **Cross-Platform Software Development** – C, C++, x86 Assembly
- **Mobile Platform Development** – C# and Silverlight / XNA for Windows Phone 7, and Objective-C for iPhone
- **Business Management** – Account Management, Business Director, Support Lead
- **Skills Training** – Passing on my knowledge to students and less experienced developers
- **Project Management** – Ability to see projects through from Start -> Finish surpassing expectations in time
- **Game Design Understanding** – Utilised in games for Windows Phone 7
- **Architecture Design + Review** – This includes complex problem solving required to overcome challenges in some projects
- **Server Administration** – Both Linux and Windows Server (2003-2008R2) based systems in both Internal Business and Web Hosting/Cluster Environments. Special expertise in web security such as protection from DoS attacks

## Relevant Experience

- 6 Years Total Web Development
- 5 Years Commercial Web Development
- 4 Years Software Development
- 3 Years as Senior Web Developer
- 2 Years as Lead Project Manager
- 1 Year iPhone Development
- 1 Year Windows Phone 7 Development
- Ongoing Client Support and Communication
- Building Scalable Applications for Large Businesses
- Developing and Implementing Client / Server Networking Protocols in Applications
- Creating Distributable Software Products for both Web and Desktop

## Portfolio

My portfolio can be viewed online at my specially developed HTML5/CSS microsite showcasing my latest and greatest work, by using the following link: <http://portfolio.rudiv.se/>

## Relevant Work Experience

### **Web + Applications Developer, Wilson Cooke Marketing Limited – April 2010 – Present**

At Wilson Cooke I was initially employed as a PHP Developer, however my roles were continually evolving, meaning at the same time I may also be developing iPhone Applications, Internal Software Applications (C#) and Python Sites (Django Based).

**Thomas Cook London 2012** – I had the exciting opportunity to develop this website for the London Olympics 2012. Thomas Cook's Olympic website is a demanding, large and scalable web application that required development

I was responsible for all of the front-end development on Thomas Cook's London 2012 website, meaning I built the CMS that powers the display you find at <http://www.thomascooklondon2012.com/>. I was required to both design and develop the new modules that Thomas Cook use for display, for example a different style of Text Area module (see 2 column layouts on the homepage, vs normal layouts on Terms & Conditions, for example), and a pictogram module (seen on the sports pages <http://www.thomascooklondon2012.com/Olympic-Sports/>).

Thomas Cook's London 2012 website required a lot of hard work during normal hours, and significant amounts of out of hours working to keep up with timescales as there were initially some kinks in development.

**Other Websites** – I was involved with more websites at Wilson Cooke, including Thomas Cook Sport, Liquid Plastics, "Whamoosh!", and much more. Each system ranged from a basic site, to something more advanced that would be powered by our internally developed CMS system. One site worth a direct mention is Ultra Travel, which is a site written in Python (based on the Django framework) which initially proved a challenge to pick up a brand new language, however the results are complete and live at <http://ultra.travel/>.

**iPhone Applications** – As the only developer at Wilson Cooke with prior Software Development experience, I was tasked with creating and maintaining iPhone applications for Thomas Cook Sport and Liquid Plastics. The Thomas Cook Sport application was a simple application-based interface to the site, which allowed users to search via date the fixtures that were on offer. The Liquid Plastics application however, was a much more involved application which utilised local storage and network communications in order to create an offline project hub. Contractors would use the software to create a 'Specification' or 'Project' for a roof, take photos and

document each photo with notes, which would be stored internally on the phone until the user logged in and synced with the server.

### **Senior Web Developer, Eye Web Solutions Limited – November 2009 – April 2010**

With Eye Web Solutions I work directly with web designers and clients to produce a solution that works for everyone.

**Custom Content Management System** – A sub-section of Eye Web Solutions is an entity that produces websites for schools. Eye Web required a solution that would provide an extremely simple, yet functional experience to manage these school websites, basically a CMS to replace their old, advanced system. The result can be viewed, and used, at <http://www.eyefocuseddemo.co.uk/>, details are available on the site. The system is written completely in PHP5, XHTML and CSS2.1 – It uses templates to display every part of the website, which can be overwritten per site if required. The beauty of the system is that all of the “workings” are stored in a set of “Core Files”, meaning if we needed to add a feature, we did not require to update every site individually. For Eye Web’s ease of use, a management system was also added, allowing them to add sites at the touch of a button, to achieve this, a C# application is running on the server to create directories, and reconfigure IIS as required.

**Server Management** – At Eye Web Solutions I manage several of their servers, ranging from Database Servers, to a Mail Server, to their Primary and Backup web server systems. All of the servers (excluding Database and 1 other (read further)) are running Windows Server 2003. At my recommendation, Eye Web are also running a separate server dedicated to their school websites on Windows Server 2008, which I also manage. The CMS outlined above is running on this server and nothing else.

**External Websites** – As Eye Web’s only developer, I was tasked with developing every dynamic aspect of a website that they take on. Generally, I am given a hand-coded XHTML template from the design team, and I would develop based on requirements around this. Most of the work is generally completed in PHP or Javascript as required. Occasionally, I would also hand-code websites from scratch in XHTML and CSS.

### **Technical Director, Mage UK Limited – February 2007 – October 2009**

At Mage UK Limited I was the Technical Director, overseeing and taking an active role in development of both clients’ websites and software products. I managed a small team of developers and designers, and was in regular direct contact with clients of the business.

**Software Products** – At Mage UK, I played an active role in overseeing, and developing several software projects, either web-based or desktop. Highlights of the software developed would have to be MageIM; A desktop Instant Messaging Client and Multi-Threaded, Multi-Client server, completely written from scratch using a custom designed TCP Protocol, and our PHP Sage Pay Integration Class; A script that allowed developers of any skill level to successfully integrate with Sage Pay’s (Formerly Protx) VSP Direct payment system, by providing a class-based interface to process transactions and refund them.

**Bespoke Software Development** – I regularly dealt directly with a client to produce quotes and architecture-designs for bespoke software products. Most of the software that I developed has a CRM background to it, mainly with custom built additions. Each software product was written completely from scratch using C# .NET.

**Bespoke Web Design & Development** – Websites were a key function of Mage UK’s business, so in addition to developing a complete Client Control Panel (containing automated Invoicing, Support Tickets and a Content Management System (written in PHP5)), I also developed websites specifically to the clients’ needs.

**E-Commerce** - Towards the end of my involvement with Mage UK we were working on developing a completely custom E-Commerce Shopping Cart System, written in PHP. The software is only actively used on one-domain to date, however there are plans to start selling the software under different branding. The store may be viewed on <http://www.onlinefurniturewholesaler.co.uk/>.

### **PHP Web Developer, Net Expectations Limited – November 2006 – September 2007**

At Net Expectations, I was part of a small team of web developers who designed, built, and managed

websites built for clients and businesses. The websites we made were always dynamic, and we were also developing an in-house software product that would streamline billing, management and productivity.

**Internal PHP Software** – Involving SOAP interfaces, and heavy Javascript / AJAX involvement, the internal software developed for Net Expectations allowed clients to view all information regarding their account, update their website, read/send emails, and much more.

**External Websites** – From Online Stores to static brochure-style sites, I hand-coded (using XHTML, CSS, and Javascript) several websites designed by another person. These websites were all integrated into Net Expectations' proprietary Content Management System, and I always dealt directly with the client.

## **Other Skills**

- **Languages** – English (Native) and Swedish (Limited Working Proficiency)
- **Willingness to Learn** – I am always looking to expand my knowledge on related topics.
- **Self Motivation / Management** – I have excelled in all the careers I have pursued so far, including my own business and managing myself as a freelancer for multiple companies.
- **Dependability** – I'm almost always available and willing to help solve any issues should they arise with work that I have completed.
- **Excellent Customer Service + Handling** – Throughout my working life all of my jobs have required me to deal directly with the customer, thus I have learned valuable communicational skills for the future.

## **Interests**

- **Gaming** – I've always been an avid gamer on both PlayStation 3 and PC Platforms, loving specifically FPS and racing games.
- **Driving** – I simply love driving, and my hard work allowed me to invest in a brand new Saab 9-3.
- **Friends + People** – There's nothing I enjoy more than spending time with my friends and meeting new people as much as possible.

**Thank you for Reading. If you require any more information, please do not hesitate to get in touch.**