Mathew Wood

Front-End Developer

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SUMMARY

Front-end developer with seven years building accessible, responsive WordPress sites from Figma designs, backed by two decades in graphic design and print production. Builds custom themes with PHP templating (Timber/Twig), Sass and vanilla JavaScript using native DOM APIs, and delivers to WCAG 2.1 AA. Works alongside designers, developers and QA to turn designs into clean, modular, maintainable front ends.

SKILLS

Languages: JavaScript (ES6+), HTML5, CSS3, Sass/SCSS, PHP, TypeScript

Front-end: Native DOM APIs, Semantic HTML, Responsive design, CSS Grid, Flexbox, CSS custom properties, Design tokens, React (JSX)

CMS and templating: WordPress custom themes, Timber/Twig, Advanced Custom Fields (ACF), FacetWP, Events Calendar Pro

Accessibility and quality: Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 AA, ARIA, Keyboard testing, WAVE, axe, Cross-browser and device testing, Site performance

Tools: Git, Figma, Sketch, Adobe Creative Cloud, Astro, Vite, Node.js, pnpm

EXPERIENCE

Full Stack Developer, Fireant Studios

Denver, CO (remote) | Oct 2022 – Present

- Build custom WordPress themes with PHP templating (Timber/Twig), Sass and vanilla JavaScript from Figma designs, on a team with a designer, a senior developer and a QA lead.
- Build modular, reusable component systems and interactive components, including mega menus, accordions and dynamic tabbed templates, with native DOM APIs and full keyboard support at every breakpoint.
- Deliver sites to WCAG 2.1 AA, including Colorado state requirements, through keyboard testing, contrast checks, WAVE and axe, and pre-launch manual and automated audits.
- Implemented rebrands through design tokens, including expanding a token set and rebuilding a typography system to redesign a live site without changing its content.

Selected client projects

- **Colorado Geological Survey:** Rebuilt a state agency site around a 2,000+ publication archive, with faceted filtering and free downloads that no longer need a checkout.
- **CSU Parking:** Rebuilt CSU's parking and transportation site to the university brand, with an admin-managed events calendar and live garage availability.
- **Humane Colorado:** Launched the new Humane Colorado brand on a fixed public date, with synced listings of adoptable pets, faceted filtering and an events calendar.
- **MS-CC design refresh:** Redesigned a live site through design tokens without touching its content, and added a multi-chapter Resource Center.
- **Remedy Medical Properties:** Rebuilt an inherited WordPress site to match its existing design exactly, with no design files, and added a filterable team section.

Front-End Developer, YellowDog Denver

Denver, CO | Nov 2019 – Oct 2022

- Designed, built, and deployed responsive WordPress sites for 35+ clients, focused on performance, accessibility, and usability.
- Built custom post types and ACF-driven features, including job boards, event listings, and employee directories.
- Produced responsive email templates and landing pages; extended page builders with custom HTML, CSS, JS, and PHP.

PROJECTS

mathewwood.com, Personal portfolio

Astro, React, TypeScript, Vite+

- Static Astro site with React islands, strict TypeScript and typed content collections; the resume page and this PDF are generated from the same content files.
- Unit tests with Vitest and continuous integration on GitHub Actions; built to WCAG 2.2 AA with keyboard, screen reader and automated checks.

EARLIER CAREER

Graphic design, print production and operations leadership, including managing staff, vendors and scheduling for a commercial print shop.

- Production Designer & Freelance Designer, Yellowdog (part-time) · Designmonkey Studio
- Operations Manager, Yellowdog Printing & Graphics
- Large-Format Graphics & Reprographics, Mercury LDO · PG Exhibits
- Graphic Design Manager, Proctor Productions

EDUCATION

A.A.S., Visual Communications, Colorado Institute of Art, Denver, CO