

# Jez Williams

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Freelance

Front end developer

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## About

Since graduating in computer science eight years ago I've worked within a wide variety of agencies, startups and nonprofits. I love developing with Javascript based tech stacks, particularly; React, Gatsby and GraphQL. I particularly enjoy working within larger agile teams and development processes that include; testing, design systems, style guides and good modern coding practices.

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## Experience

### Floom / Front end, React

Feb 2019 - July 2019

This project was to complete an MVP for [floomx.com](http://floomx.com), a full service platform for florists to build their own website, manage stock, orders and deliveries. The tech stack was React, Mobx, Gatsby, GraphQL, Apollo and Prismic. I was initially paired up with a developer to build the website generator for florists to build their own custom sites. I then moved on to the full [floomx](http://floomx.com) platform where my main focus was the third party courier integration for florists to order delivery drivers to complete orders.

### Interactive Investor / Front end, React

Aug 2018 - PRESENT

My initial goal was to define a guide that outlines the testing responsibilities for developers and the QA team. Additionally, the type of tests and frameworks we'd be using for each step of the development process. I've also been heavily involved with the SEO initiative to improve performance and statically generated content from Gatsby. This involved working with large amounts of API data and creating source plugins for the SSR process to normalise and generate pages from.

### Laterooms / Front end, React

Apr 2018 - Jul 2018

I was primarily involved with the front end development using React, Redux (Redux Observables), Styled Components, GraphQL and Storybook. All code was thoroughly unit tested alongside frequent code reviews and pairing to ensure maximum testing coverage and quality.

### AO.com / Front end, React

Oct 2017 - Apr 2018

During my time at [ao](http://ao.com) myself and another contractor were tasked with building a new calendar component as part of the checkout process. It was built using React / Redux and allowed customers to choose the day and time of their delivery. We used TDD during this process using Karma, Jest and 2e2 testing using Cypress. At later stages we were able to add in animations using CSS transitions and animated SVG's.

## **The Fragrance Shop / Front end**

Jan 2017 - Aug 2017

My main responsibility has been developing the front end architecture and building a living styleguide using Pattern Lab. Due to the large size of this project we used ITCSS and Atomic Design principles to ensure maintainability while the project scales up.

## **Twine.fm / Front end, React**

Mar 2017 - May 2017

Working alongside the team to migrate their existing PHP site over to React components with Redux and API's to fetch data from their current site.

## **Ampersand x2 / Front end**

Aug 2016 - Dec 2016 / Sep 2015 - Dec 2015

Front end development using Magento 2 for [Web-blinds](#) and [Regatta](#). Using; React, Backbone and ITCSS for the front end architecture.

## **Formisimo / Design & Front end**

### **Telcom / Design**

### **Fatsoma / Wordpress Developer**

### **Envirofone / Design & Front end**

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## **Education**

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### **Staffordshire University / 2:1 BSc Computing Science**

2007 - 2011, STAFFORDSHIRE

I was able to cover a wide range of programming languages and programming concepts. My final year project was a sass product for creatives which collected media content from their various online services to generate an online portfolio.

### **Mid Cheshire College / Distinction, Music Technology**

2005 - 2007, NORTHWICH

I first developed my interest in computers and technology while producing music in studios which I went on to pursue in Uni.

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## **Volunteer Experience**

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I enjoy volunteering at various meetups and conferences.

**Web Summit** 2016, LISBON

**Smashing Conf** 2015, OXFORD

**DNX** 2015, BERLIN

**LeanConf** 2014, MANCHESTER

