

KHALID NAHARY

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

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PROFESSIONAL OVERVIEW

Full-stack developer with extensive experience delivering scalable, user-focused digital products across environmental tech, e-commerce, media, and education sectors. Skilled in React, Next.js, Node.js, Ruby, AWS, and modern frontend architectures, with a proven ability to design and implement robust, maintainable systems. Leveraging a background in design and illustration, I bring a creative, user-first perspective to software development, ensuring solutions balance performance, usability, and long-term scalability. Adept at cross-functional collaboration, technical planning, and feature delivery, with a track record of contributing to high-impact projects and optimizing workflows in fast-paced, distributed teams.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Groundsure LTD | Remote, Brighton, Software Developer - *Full time* August 2022 - Present

- Maintained and extended Groundsure environmental reports (Ruby/Prawn PDF), adding new designs and building custom report templates.
- Contributed to the web monorepo (TypeScript, Yarn workspaces, Lerna) with AWS microservices, Lambda, Cognito, MongoDB/Mongoose, and Next.js (App Router) using Tailwind CSS and styled-components.
- Delivered an interactive mapping tool powered by GeoServer WMTS and a custom Mapbox-style renderer, enabling conveyancers and solicitors to request reports via drawn polygons or WKT inputs.
- Supported “firefighting” efforts across departments — diagnosing and resolving urgent production issues including authentication errors, report generation failures, and geospatial polygon data problems — helping sustain a daily output of 5,000+ reports (~£50M annual revenue).
- Collaborated with UX/UI and product teams, leveraging design background to refine features, align technical feasibility with user needs, and find balanced compromises.
- Contributed to team knowledge sharing through mentoring, documentation improvements, pair programming, and code reviews, promoting consistent code quality across services.
- Led and participated in spikes to explore new features and technical approaches; updated legacy repositories, modernised dependencies, and maintained component libraries.
- Improved CI/CD pipelines via GitHub Actions workflows and implemented automated tests for stable, maintainable releases.

MVG Media | Hybrid, London, Front-end developer - *Full time* November 2021 - August 2022

- Developed and maintained 24social, a custom Next.js (Pages Router) CMS platform for hospitality brands, integrated with Firebase, Cloud Functions, and Tailwind CSS.
- Delivered responsive, branded frontend experiences for 1,000+ UK hospitality locations, enabling efficient content management and updates at scale.
- Built reusable, modular UI components to maintain brand consistency across multiple client sites.
- Worked closely with designers and content teams to transform high-fidelity mockups into production-ready features.
- Contributed to platform stability and scalability by improving frontend code structure, optimising performance, and streamlining deployment workflows.

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WORK EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

WeWorking | On-site, London, Production Coordinator/Assistant Producer - *Contract* May 2021 - November 2021

- Managed end-to-end production logistics for shoots, including staff scheduling, location bookings, and equipment procurement.
- Acted as Floor Manager, Assistant Director, and occasionally Set Designer during filming days, ensuring smooth on-set operations.
- Coordinated with clients and talent — including celebrities — for productions with brands such as Mola TV, ASOS, and White Claw.
- Oversaw production teams, including editors, photographers, and videographers, maintaining high standards and on-time delivery.
- Scaled the in-house team from 2 to 10 staff, transitioned operations to a dedicated office space, and managed relationships with outsourced contractors.
- Organised pre-shoot preparations, set design, and office setup to support seamless shoot execution.
- Built and designed landing web pages using Wix and designed set uniforms for staff.

Like Digital | Remote, Dubai, Front-end developer - *Contract* January 2021 - May 2021

- Built and launched La Perla's beauty e-commerce range using Gatsby.js, integrating BigCommerce for product management and Contentstack as a headless CMS.
- Translated high-end design concepts into responsive, pixel-perfect UI components and established a custom design system for consistent branding.
- Queried and integrated data via GraphQL to deliver performant, dynamic product pages.
- Implemented schema.org structured data for products, enhancing SEO and enabling richer search result listings.
- Collaborated in a small, agile team to meet tight launch deadlines while ensuring cross-browser compatibility and optimal performance.

Schoolify | Hybrid, London, Front-end designer/developer - *Contract* August 2020 - January 2021

- Led the design and development of a remote learning platform enabling teachers to deliver live, interactive courses during COVID-19.
- Created the brand identity, UI component library, and user flows in Figma, then implemented them in React.
- Developed key features including a video-based classroom interface, interactive student tools, and a teacher dashboard.
- Ensured full accessibility and responsive performance across devices to meet diverse user needs.
- Worked closely with founders, educators, and developers in a small, agile team to rapidly incorporate user feedback.
- Influenced product direction by contributing to early UX decisions and technical planning.

Synkd | Remote, London, Front-end developer - *Contract* July 2020 - August 2020

- Maintained and improved the existing React codebase through refactoring, UI bug fixes, and performance optimisations.
- Ensured cross-browser compatibility and consistent user experience across the platform.
- Collaborated with the development team to deliver quick-turnaround fixes and updates for ongoing projects.

Al-Sharq Al-Awsat | On-site, London, Designer - *Internship* February 2019 - April 2019

- Completed a design internship at Al-Sharq Al-Awsat, a leading Arabic-language newspaper in the Middle East.
- Designed and structured editorial page layouts, ensuring clear hierarchy, balanced composition, and adherence to brand standards.

- Incorporated image cutouts, infographics, and visual elements to enhance reader engagement and improve information clarity.
- Worked closely with editorial teams to meet tight daily publishing deadlines while maintaining accuracy and design consistency.

EDUCATION

London Metropolitan University London BA in Illustration	2020
London Metropolitan University London Foundation degree in Art & Design	2017

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Full-Stack Development UI/UX Design Agile Collaboration Technical Problem-Solving
Cloud Architecture (AWS) Database Management Testing & Automation Component Library Development
Code Review & Quality Assurance Cross-Functional Teamwork Mentoring & Knowledge Sharing
Product Strategy Adaptability Decision-Making

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages & Core Technologies: JavaScript / TypeScript, HTML5, CSS3, Ruby
Frontend Development: React, Next.js, Gatsby.js, Tailwind CSS, styled-components, Figma
Backend & Infrastructure: Node.js, Express.js, AWS (Lambda, CloudFront, SQS, Cognito), Firebase, Microservices, Monorepo Management, CI/CD
Databases & APIs: PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Mongoose, REST API Integration, Geospatial Tools (GeoServer WMTS, Mapbox Style Spec, WKT/GeoJSON)
Automation & Testing: Puppeteer, Jest
Design & Creative Tools: Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign
Productivity & Collaboration: Git, Trello, Asana, Microsoft Office, Notion, Google Docs

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Mental Health First Aider St John's Ambulance, Windsor	2025
Teamwork Workshop London Metropolitan University, London	2021
Student Mentorship Programme London Metropolitan University, London	2018