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LARAVEL DEVELOPER

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PROFILE

PHP and Laravel developer with six years of commercial experience shipping production applications — from a fintech transaction API to an internal manufacturing system used by 200+ staff, and two payment platforms I have built and run myself. Strong across the Laravel stack: schema design and migrations, Eloquent, REST APIs, authentication, queues and testing, paired with Vue.js and Tailwind on the front end. AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner, currently completing an MSc in Data Science at University of Sunderland. Based in Newcastle upon Tyne, available on-site, hybrid or remote.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Backend: PHP 8 · Laravel · Eloquent ORM · Blade · migrations and seeders · queues and scheduled jobs · REST API design · authentication and authorisation

Frontend: Vue.js · JavaScript · Tailwind CSS · HTML5 · CSS3 · responsive UI

Data: MySQL · schema design · query optimisation · SQL · Python

DevOps & Cloud: Git · GitHub Actions · CI/CD · AWS (Certified Cloud Practitioner) · Linux CLI · deployment and release management

Practice: Agile · code review · incident triage · requirements gathering with non-technical users

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Web Developer · 7Stars Events (UK)

2026 – Present

- Lead development and ongoing improvement of the events platform, delivering responsive web experiences and production-ready features for a UK events business.
- Build and maintain custom PHP/Laravel functionality, database-backed features and integrations, while improving performance, reliability and deployment workflows.

Web Application Developer · Velkeep (UK)

2026 – Present

- Designed and built Velkeep.com as a production web application, taking the product from concept through architecture, implementation and deployment.
- Develop backend workflows, responsive interfaces and data-driven features, with responsibility for testing, performance, cloud deployment and ongoing iteration.

IT Lead · Cokoon Creative Development Agency (Remote)

Dec 2024 – Present

- Maintain and extend PHP and Laravel client applications alongside cloud-hosted infrastructure, handling deployments, fixes and performance work.
- Own technical escalation and incident response, and wrote the agency's IT procedures.

Senior Backend Engineer · Easyspend (Fintech)

Feb 2024 – Sep 2024

- Built and documented REST API endpoints handling financial transaction data for the company's spending platform.
- Implemented CI/CD pipelines with GitHub Actions, automating previously manual test and deployment steps.
- Monitored production systems, triaged incidents and mentored junior engineers through structured code review.

Senior Full Stack Developer · Malkain Web Design Agency (Contract, Remote)

Jan 2023 – Jan 2024

- Delivered client dashboards and web applications in Laravel with Vue.js front ends, working to Agile sprint commitments.
- Refactored and optimised inherited codebases, tuning slow database queries and reducing page load times.
- Integrated third-party APIs and handled deployment to client hosting environments.

Senior Web Developer · Adidas Nigeria

2020 – 2022

- Developed and customised e-commerce storefronts, building templates, campaign pages and responsive layouts.
- Worked with marketing and merchandising stakeholders to ship catalogue, content and SEO changes to campaign deadlines.

Automations Engineer / IT Lead · BUA Foods

2018 – 2020

- Designed and built a Laravel, Vue.js and MySQL application that replaced a manual whiteboard production-tracking process, serving 200+ staff across the site.
- Modelled the underlying data structure and built real-time dashboards giving management live production visibility for the first time.
- Cut manual reporting time by 70%; gathered requirements directly from non-technical floor staff and trained operational users.

FOUNDER PROJECTS

Fynsset.com · Founder & Developer — fintech platform

2024 – Present

- Laravel application built from scratch: schema and migrations, Eloquent models and relationships, authentication, queued background jobs and a REST API consumed by the front end.

Tipa.me · Founder & Developer — digital tipping and payments

2024 – Present

- Laravel backend handling payment flows and transaction records, with Blade and Vue front end, deployed and maintained solo on cloud hosting.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

MSc Data Science	2025 – 2026
University of Sunderland	
BEng Electronics & Computer Engineering (2:1)	2023
Nnamdi Azikiwe University	
National Diploma, Computer Engineering (Distinction)	2019
Federal Polytechnic Oko	
AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner	January 2025
Amazon Web Services	
CS50: Introduction to Computer Science — Harvard University (via edX)	