DONALD MASANGO

WordPress Developer | Full-Stack Developer | Designer

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Results-driven WordPress Developer with 5+ years of professional experience building, optimizing, and maintaining high-performance websites. Specializes in custom theme development, WooCommerce solutions, API integrations, and performance optimization. Proven ability to deliver secure, scalable, and SEO-friendly websites for South African SMEs and international clients. Strong collaborator with a detail-oriented approach and solid understanding of hosting environments and deployment workflows.

-EXPERIENCE-

Big On Digital - South Africa (Remote), - Webmaster / Website Administrator

Mar 2024 - Current

- Ongoing design and maintenance of new and existing websites.
- Manage domain registrations, renewals, and transfers, ensuring minimal downtime and DNS accuracy.
- Create, configure, and maintain professional email accounts across hosting platforms.
- Develop, maintain, and update company and client websites, primarily using WordPress.
- Provide technical support to clients, resolving website, email, and hosting-related issues.
- Perform website diagnostics and troubleshooting, identifying and resolving performance, security, and functionality issues.
- Assist with content updates and general website administration.
- Email account setup and maintenance

- Liaise with hosting providers and third-party vendors to resolve infrastructurerelated issues.
- Liaising closely with the founder and team.
- Testing websites for functionality in different browsers & at different resolutions

ProSpace - South Africa (Remote), - WordPress Developer Jan 2025 - Feb 2025

- Designed and developed custom WordPress websites for SMEs across multiple industries.
- Built responsive layouts and customized themes aligned with client branding and UX goals.
- Optimized websites for performance, SEO, and Core Web Vitals, improving load times and usability.
- Implemented contact forms, content management workflows, and e-commerce features.
- Managed deployments, updates, backups, and ongoing site maintenance.

Websites done:

- o muthanwani.co.za
- o maselelo.co.za
- o maskocityfirewood.co.za
- o montshomondetrading.co.za
- o zunocreations.co.za

Sales Force Recruitment — Tralee, Ireland - Full-Stack Developer Mar 2023 – Apr 2023

Developed a recruitment platform using WordPress and PHP-based workflows.

- Implemented job listings, automated alerts, and candidate onboarding features.
- Improved performance, responsiveness, and cross-browser compatibility.
- Collaborated remotely with stakeholders to deliver features on tight timelines.

Independent Project — Ireland (Remote)

Jan 2022 – Nov 2022

- Built a responsive web application for a mobile salon business.
- Developed frontend UI components and backend logic.
- Implemented scheduling functionality and user interaction workflows
- Handled deployment and post-launch support.

- EDUCATION -

Diploma in IT Network Management (DINM313) IIE Rosebank College — Sunnyside

Higher Certificate in IT Support Services (HSS113)

IIE Rosebank College — Pretoria

-CERTIFICATIONS & COURSES -

- Advanced WordPress Elementor Mastery 2025 Building Dynamic Sites (*Udemy Instructor: Ricky Wallace*)
- Python Django Full Social media course (*Udemy Instructor: Tokko Oluwantomi*)
- Python Django The Full stack guide (*Udemy Instructor: Eric Roby*)
- PHP for beginners Become a PHP Master (*Udemy Instructor: Edwin Diaz*)

- Introduction to Cryptocurrencies & Blockchain (*Udemy Instructor: Viztech Solutions*)
- The ultimate Graphic Design course Photoshop & Illustrator (*Udemy Instructor: Rudolph Pieterse*)

-CORE TECHNICAL SKILLS-

- WordPress (Custom Themes & Plugins)
- PHP/Laravel, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript (jQuery)
- Python / Django
- WooCommerce Development & Customization
- REST API & Third-Party Integrations
- MySQL / SQL
- Git & Version Control
- Website Performance & Core Web Vitals Optimization
- SEO Best Practices
- Website Security & Maintenance
- Responsive & Mobile-First Design

-TOOLS & PLATFORMS-

- Gutenberg, Elementor, Bakery
- Advanced Custom Fields (ACF)
- Hosting & Deployment: cPanel, FTP/SFTP, WHM
- Google PageSpeed Insights, GTmetrix
- VS Code / Sublime Text/ Brackets
- Adobe Photoshop & Illustrator

- GitHub