

Ben Metcalfe

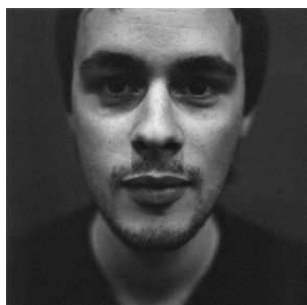
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PERSONAL DETAILS

Date of Birth: 24th July 1981
Nationality: British/Canadian
Marital Status: Married
Driver's license: yes (British)

Ben currently holds a Canadian TN visa to work in the United States.

CAREER ASPIRATIONS

Ben is ideally looking for a Technical Product Manager role, or similar. However with his wide range of skills and experience he is flexible and open minded to all potential opportunities.

This is only a résumé summary. A complete version is available upon request. Please email mail@benmetcalfe.com

Ben Metcalfe is a self-motivated, ambitious, multi-skilled internet professional with over 11 years experience working on some of the most high profile and forward thinking websites on the Internet. He is also a respected and well connected blogger, industry commentator and member of the Web2.0 community. Having used the Internet since 1992, Ben is passionate about the Internet's ability to enrich, inform, educate and entertain our lives and connect us with others.

His skills and experience include:

- Product development and solution design
- APIs, web services, developer network design
- Technical architecture and product implementation supervision
- Technical team leadership and mentoring (standards, best practice, etc)
- Public-facing blogger, developer and community out-reach/evangelism
- Online media, citizen journalism, blogging
- Software engineering and Web development
- Accessibility and usability best practice

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

Independent Consultant

Mar 2007 –

San Francisco, California, USA

Helping clients in a range of areas, including: building out platforms and forming developer networks around products, product development, community evangelism and corporate web2.0 strategy. Clients include startups to Fortune 500-sized international companies.

Partner & Consultant

Citizen Agency LLC | <http://www.citizenagency.com>

Sep 2006 – Mar 2007

San Francisco, California, USA

Community orientated approaches to product development and innovation. This included the formation of developer networks, lead-user communities and other community orientated projects

Project Lead, backstage.bbc.co.uk (+ Web2.0 advisor)

BBC New Media & Technology | <http://backstage.bbc.co.uk>

Dec 2004 – Jun 2006

London, UK

Co-founded the BBC's developer network – making BBC web content available for mash-up and development. Duties included community liaison and evangelism, project management, web service and feed strategy formation, public speaking, etc. Ben also helped launch the BBC Blog Network (<http://blogs.bbc.co.uk>) as technical advisor to the project

Software Engineer (also worked as Web Developer, Web Producer)

BBC News Website | <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news>

May 2000 – Dec 2004

London UK

Worked on numerous BBC News and Sport websites, both front-end and back-end, including BBC Olympics 2004 and the relaunch of the BBC News Website. Ben was also involved in the product development of various mobile/pda, interactive TV and video-over-web propositions.

Web Developer, Entrepreneur,

Freelance/Self Projects

1994 –

London, UK

Ben has been freelancing and building his own self-driven projects since 1994, and has an eye for building projects in responses to market opportunities. Such projects include a free email service (1998), web hosting company (2001) and a non-profit health-related blog & community (2005).

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Launched his first start-up in 1998 at the age of 17 – a free email service with over 50,000 registered accounts between 1998 and 2000. Featured on BBC Radio 1 and UK .Net magazine
- Produced an award winning hack (ie mash-up) at the inaugural Yahoo! Open Hack Day 2006 – netting him a 32" LCD television
- Was invited to participate in a plenary panel at the 2006 Computer Human Interaction Conference, Montreal – discussing the usability issues of mash-ups
- [Backstage.bbc.co.uk](http://backstage.bbc.co.uk) was awarded 'most innovative site 2006' by the UK New Statesman Media Awards
- Co-organized the UK's first BarCamp (<http://barcamp.org>) at Yahoo! UK's offices in London in Sep 2006
- 67th most influential British blogger, according to PR Blogger (<http://prblogger.com/2006/10/uk100-bloggers/>)