

FRONT END DESIGNER/DEVELOPER – DIGITAL SPY

We are looking for a Developer to join our technical team, working on both front-end and back-end code and design. The ideal candidate will relish joining a small, hard-working, editorially-focused technical team and be enthusiastic and knowledgeable about our content.

Digital Spy runs on nearly 30 servers spread across two sites in central London. All of our web servers, which make up most of the 30 machines, run our preferred web serving OS, FreeBSD. Our MySQL database cluster runs on multiple nodes, each running Red Hat Enterprise Linux and a clustering solution provided by Continuent, Inc.

Our content management system is purpose built for Digital Spy, managing everything from articles to the site's layout. Our forums run on an extensively customised version of Jelsoft's vBulletin software. The successful candidate will work across these systems.

The successful candidate will:

- have solid experience of developing website front ends to specification using standards-compliant XHTML and CSS
- Extensive experience with hand-coded, valid XHTML
- Extensive experience with consistent, clean, efficient CSS
- Experience with Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop
- Experience building code as part of a PHP/MySQL architecture
- Extensive experience with client-side scripting technologies such as JavaScript, including libraries, frameworks and related tools
- Experience with AJAX techniques
- Ability to develop and maintain strong internal and external working relationships

To apply, candidates must:

- enclose a CV together with a covering letter outlining their suitability for the role with specific, strong references to each of the skills points above
- submit a short summary of Digital Spy demonstrating knowledge and familiarity with the site and its content
- submit, if one exists, a link to a web portfolio of previous work

To apply for this position please send your covering letter and CV to HR@hf-uk.com stating the job title in the subject line.