

Building Your Website

- Make a folder on the desktop called website. Save the following two files in that folder.
- <http://www.joshwillard.com/media/home.psd>
- <http://www.joshwillard.com/media/about.psd>

Typical Website Dimensions

- 1200w x 820h
- 1024w x 768h
- 800w x 600h

Design Stages

- Keep everything in ONE folder!
- Design everything in Photoshop – including navigation bars
- Save as a PSD file (the native file format)
- Open in Fireworks and create rollovers using the designs you made in Photoshop
- Once you have created rollovers and linked all of the pages, export the file by going to **File > Export**.
- Make sure that **HTML and Images** is selected. Check to make sure that you are working in that ONE folder. Click Export.
- Open the **.HTM** pages you have exported from Fireworks into Dreamweaver.
- Add a page title and centre your page (if you want them to be centered)
- Save your file.
- Repeat for each web page.

Creating Rollovers and Links in Fireworks

- Open your PSD file that you designed into Fireworks
- Using the **slice tool** (under the web section of the toolbar), slice all links and aspects of your webpage – everything should be covered in green

- Now go to **States**. Right click on State 1 and click on **Duplicate State**
- State 1 is how the webpage will normally look, where State 2 is what will happen to the webpage when the mouse is rolled-over
- Click on **State 1** in the States panel
- Click on the Layers panel and open the **Layer** folder
- Now, turn on the layer which represents the link of the page you are on. Example: Turn on the Home layer if you are working on the Home page, *or* turn on the About layer if you are on the About page. This lets users know what page they are on.
- Click on States, and click on **State 2**
- Go back to **Layers** and open the **Layer** folder
- Now turn on the remaining Layers for your links.
- Now right click each link and select **Add Simple Rollover Behaviour**
- In order to link the pages, you must click on each link and add the file name of each page (.htm) in the **Link Box** at the bottom of the screen. Ex: Click on the Home link, and type home.htm in the link box
- Once you have finished all of the previous instructions, click on the **grey area** around your page
- Then go to **File > Export**
- Make sure that **HTML and Images** is selected. Check to make sure you are working in that ONE folder. Click Export
- Repeat for each page

- Alternatively, you could make your links in Dreamweaver using the Hotspot tool. They will **not** be rollovers, though.