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Curriculum Vitae

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CAREER DETAILS

February 2014

Conference Director for AIB #iamabroadcaster at Royal Institute of British Architects

5th November 2014

Show Director for Association for International Broadcasters Excellence Awards 2014 at LSO St Lukes, London

September 2012 to January 2015

GLOBAL EXECUTIVE STUDIO DIRECTOR, ARISE MEDIA NETWORKS

Consultant/Launch Director

Worked closely with brand strategists, composers and set designers in developing the look and feel of the Arise News channel prior to launch in both London & New York.

Launched and directed

- Arise News Hour
- Global Business Report
- Africa Wrap
- Global Sports Report
- World Briefing
- Arise Reports
- The World
- Showbiz Weekly
- The Arise Interview
- This Day Live
- Arise News Now
- Arise America & Arise Entertainment 360 in New York
- Jeff Koinange Live & Arise Weekend in Johannesburg.

Many shows were turned from concepts into full broadcasts within days.

Also managed all studio staff in London, supervised the branding, look and house style across the three global centres.

March 2002 – October 2012

LEAD DIRECTOR, BBC NEWS

Led a team of directors and studio operatives overseeing the main output of the BBC News Channel and BBC World overnights.

Directing, vision mixing, sound mixing and technical manager in live gallery.

Templated graphics with VizRT & simple editing and publishing on Q-cut & Jupiter.

- BBC News Channel
- Sportsday
- 8pm Summary, BBC1
- Newsday, BBC World (Launch Director)
- Newsround, BBC1
- Liquid News, BBC Three
- The News Show, BBC Three

- The 7 o' Clock News, BBC Three (Launch Director)
- 60 seconds, BBC Three
- Show Me The Money, BBC News
- Dateline London, BBC News
- Business Today, BBC News
- UK Reports, BBC World
- Newswatch, BBC News
- Hardtalk, BBC World
- Have Your Say, BBC World
- Talking Point, BBC World

August 2012

BBC News Olympics coverage from Lund Point, Stratford

March 2012

Analysis following Budget at College Green and BBC Millbank

February – May 2011

Helped BBC Cambridge launch a half hour local news opt

September 2010

Directed TUC Conference in Manchester for BBC Parliament Channel

Directed Papal visit to London at Westminster & Hyde Park for BBC News Channel

June 2010

Directed reactions to the “Bloody Sunday Inquiry”, from Londonderry

May 2010

Directed 5 days of consecutive days of coverage from Westminster following the General Election

July 2009

Directed the repatriation from Afghanistan of 7 coffins through Wootton Bassett.

March 2009 & 2011

School Mentor for BBC News School Report.

Trained pupils and teachers in newsgathering & TV Production

at Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College, Bradford, West Yorkshire.

March 2008

Directed Labour local election spring manifesto announcement from Stevenage

November 2007

Directed Liberal Democratic Leader Announcement

June 2007

BBC Pool Director; Tony Blair resignation speech, Trimdon County Durham.

May 2007,

Directed, Have Your Say, with live audience at the Oxford Union and Colonel Gaddafi joining by satellite from Libya.

December 2005

Directed two-camera interview with former US President, Bill Clinton on World Aids Day in Munich.

April – May 2005

BBC Pool director, General Election leader speeches at various locations.

Directed, 4 multi-camera discussion OB's at pubs in Newcastle, Worcester, Wells and Enfield.

Spoken to five courses of new BBC Journalists introducing them to working in a live TV gallery.

January 2007 - present

I have shot, directed and edited various DVD's with Final Cut Pro & Final Cut X for a variety of organisations including, Staplehurst Free Church, Staplehurst School, Staplehurst Arts Festival, Buttershaw Business & Enterprise College, Photo Me Gorgeous Photographic, Middlesbrough Rotary Club & The Harlequin Game.

July 2001 to February 2002

FREELANCE WORK

- OB Director for Live International Boxing for Matchroom Productions from Amsterdam and Nottingham
- Director/Vision Mixer for Meridian Broadcasting, various shifts
- Producer/Director for Wizja TV, UPC producing live football, speedway, basketball & NHL
- Studio Director for International Cricket/Golf for Sky Sports
- Studio Director for Sky Sports News

October 2000 – June 2001

HEAD OF PRODUCTION, BORO TV, NTL Teesside

I was involved in a number of projects including the development of Boro TV News. We covered stories and features involving Middlesbrough Football Club. My role involved motivating a small team creating nearly three hours of programming each week.

Directed editions of;

- Premier Reds
- Totally Red
- Sky Blue Diary
- Produced and directed Boro TV specials ie: friendly and reserve games from the Riverside Stadium

May 1998 to September 2000:

SENIOR PRODUCER, Wizja Sport, UPC Broadcast, Maidstone Studios

From the launch of Wizja TV, I worked on all the various stages of the development of Wizja Sport, applying the fundamentals of high standard production techniques acquired from previous mainstream television employment.

This included substantial effort in developing of creative ideas to enhance and improve the programmes, overcoming many obstacles encountered whilst managing resources and staff made available to me in the UK & Poland.

- Champions League Producer 1999/2000 (Live studio production)
- Euro 2000 Qualifiers including directing and producing Poland's vital Euro 2000 Qualifier versus Sweden in Stockholm. Also a live preview hour-long show from the Polish team hotel on the eve of the fixture with guests and packages.
- UEFA Cup, Scottish Premier, Portuguese, Brazilian, Major League Soccer, Nationwide & German Cup Football producer,
- British Elite Speedway (co-production with Sky Sports)
- Speedway Grand Prix 1998 in UK & Poland (Various Locations)
- Wimbledon Producer 1998 & 1999,
- Boxing in UK & Poland, Ice Skating ISU Grand Prix, Wizja Sport Review of the Year 1998,
- In spare time, I learned additional skills in three-machine editing on Digi-Beta format

November 1992 to May 1998:

SENIOR PROGRAMME DIRECTOR, Meridian Broadcasting, Maidstone

I helped co-ordinate the launch of "Meridian Tonight" in January 1993 and re-launch in June 1996. The leader of a small team of assistant directors and multi-skilled directors responsible for all of Meridian's news output in the South East and main director for all editions of "Meridian Tonight". I was ultimately accountable for the technical feasibility of editorial requirements discussed at planning and production meetings and I was the point of contact for decisions on conforming to the house style from the reporters, sub editors and technical crew.

R.T.S Award for Best Regional Daily News Programme - March 1994

Other Programmes:

- The Meridian Match Live
- Le Tour Live
- Election 1997
- 7 Days
- The Cash Question'
- Outside Broadcasts: The Chinese State Circus
- Carols 1994 & Carols 1996
- Spirit of Christmas
- Eastbourne Christmas Lights
- Meridian Tonight Christmas Special 1996 from P & O's 'Pride of Dover' ferry & Dover Castle.

FREELANCE WORK

Summer 1994

Various shifts directing and vision mixing on the shopping channel QVC.

August 1993

Greyhound Racing: 'London Tonight' Trophy from Catford for London News Network

October 1992

Conservative Party Conference from Brighton, for Conservative Central Office.

Autumn 1992

Live Coca Cola Cup football. Match Director Stockport County v Nottm Forest for ITV Sport

August 1992

Greyhound Derby for Sky Sports

May to November 1992

Directing and vision mixing bulletins for Sky News

April 1992

British Nuclear Fuels Ltd in-house studio debate

April 1991 to March 1992

PRODUCER & DIRECTOR, British Aerospace Sportscast, Manchester

Produced/directed & vision mixed over 150 live outside broadcasts in 12-month period

- Vauxhall Conference Soccer
- Sportscast Pub Quiz
- Boxing
- Rugby League
- Rugby Union

- Horse Racing
- Greyhound Racing
- Rugby Union
- Rumbelows League Cup
- Gaelic football

July 1990 to March 1991

PROGRAMME DIRECTOR, Granada Television News, Liverpool

- Granada Tonight
- Granada News
- Granada Weekend
- Granada This Week
- Kick Off with Elton Welsby
- 15 January 1991 – Gulf War Special “Should Britain Go to War ?”
- Many musical items, from rock bands to choirs, both on location and in the studio,
- Three short films to promote the opening of Granada's news centre in Blackburn.

December 1989 to June 1990

ASSISTANT PRODUCER, BBC North, Manchester

Six-month training attachment from BBC Plymouth, directing and vision mixing the regional programme

- North West Tonight
- Co-ordinated and directed live outside broadcasts for Northwest Tonight Summer Holiday
- Eamon Holmes's Sportsround".

March 1989 to September 1989

FLOOR MANAGER, BBC Television Centre, London

Six-month attachment from BBC Plymouth to BBC Sport and Events, working in the studio on the following programmes:

- Grandstand
- Sunday Grandstand
- Sportsnight
- Sport on Friday'
- Rugby Special
- International Athletics
- Match of the Day
- Duties also included graphics directing on many editions of these programmes and numerous editions of Midweek Racing
- Was in charge of the Grandstand studio floor in London on the day of Hillsborough on 15th April 1989.

June 1987 to March 1989

REGIONAL STATION ASSISTANT, BBC South West, Plymouth

Floor Managing, Slide File Frame Store operation and Aston Caption operation mainly for Spotlight the regional news programme, and other local bulletins throughout the day. In the September to Christmas period 1988, I assisted the Producer in the preparations for Children in Need and was the Stage Manager at the Lands End outside broadcast.

November 1985 to June May 1987

CAMERA OPERATOR & VIDEO TAPE EDITOR, Aurora Productions, Norwich

All areas of production for corporate video programmes, conferences and exhibitions.

QUALIFICATIONS

1981-1983

DATEC Diploma, Audio Visual Studies (Distinction)
Harrogate College of Arts & Technology

1983 -1985

BTEC Diploma, Visual Communications
The Suffolk College

INTERESTS

Having worked in Sport, I have an interest in a wide variety of sporting activities.

I enjoy watching football most of all, and I am a long suffering follower of Norwich City.

I also enjoy cycling, walking, badminton, cooking, and travel.

I have a keen interest in landscape photography & video.