

# Curriculum Vitae

## Colin STUART

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### Science Communication Experience

#### **Director/Creator - Science Made Fun** (Jan 07 – Present)

Online audio/video podcast project with a combined audience of over 11 million, spanning more than 100 countries and including the all time most viewed science video on YouTube. Further skills in website content management and Google analytics evaluation.

#### **Freelance Astronomer for Royal Observatory, Greenwich** (July 07 – Present)

Delivering shows to adult and school groups in The Peter Harrison Planetarium as well as school education workshops. Leading evening observing sessions through the Observatory's 28" refracting telescope between October and March every year. Worked with BBC Horizon to maximise shoot-time in planetarium.

#### **Freelance Press Officer, Royal Observatory, Greenwich** (Jan 10 – Present)

Working to promote the Royal Observatory through print, broadcast and online media.

#### **Intern, Nature Publishing Group** (Aug 2009)

Presenting and editing packages for Nature, ChemPod and NatureJobs podcasts as well as working with Nature's video strand. Advised team on social media strategy.

#### **Television/Additional Video Podcasting Credits**

Interviewee on Sky News, BBC News Channel and CNN. The Jodcast video (writer/presenter/editor), Astronomy Now Podcast (contributor), SaveJodrellBank.org.uk (campaign video presenter/director/editor) and 2008 Phylm Prize Winner for short physics film on Black Holes.

#### **Radio/Additional Audio Podcasting Credits**

Packages produced for Naked Astronomy, The Jodcast and 365DaysofAstronomy podcasts (presenting/editing) as well as having presented weekly radio shows on Northern Air Hospital Radio and Imperial College Radio. Interviewee on BBC Radio 5Live and many BBC local radio stations.

#### **Science Writing** (Jan 07 – Present)

Copy in national and international publications and websites including BBC Sky at Night, Times Higher Education and physicsworld.com. Blogger at justatheory.co.uk. Freelance writer for planet-science.com. Entries in the Daily Telegraph Young Science Writer Awards finished in the final 50 in 2007 and 2008.

## Education

**Department of Humanities, Imperial College, London** (Oct 08 – Sep 09)

MSc Science Communication - *Merit*

Dissertation: *Audio Science Communication in a Digital Britain*.

**School of Physics & Astronomy, The University of Manchester** (Sep 05 – Jun 08)

BSc (Hons) Physics with Astrophysics: *First Class*,

including final year projects in both optical and radio astronomy and a first class dissertation on *The Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence*.

**Charters School, Sunningdale** (Sep 02 – Jun 04)

A Levels: Psychology (A), Mathematics (B) and Physics (B) AS Level: History (C)

**The Magna Carta School, Staines** (Sep 97 - Jul 02) - 12 GCSE's (Grades A and B),

## Additional Employment History

**Short Term Staff - Kandersteg Int'l Scout Centre, Switzerland** (Mar 05 – Jun 05)

As part of a team of 31 people from 14 different countries, I assisted in the running of the only International Centre for World Scouting, furthering my adaptability, teamwork and communication skills.

**Office Admin Temporary** (Jul 04 – Feb 05)

## Professional Memberships and Further Qualifications/Achievements

**Fellow of The Royal Astronomical Society**

**Member of Association of British Science Writers**

**Member of Institute of Physics** – Including member of Physics Communicators Group

**Student Team Working Award** (2007) - £250 prize for teamwork within Science Made Fun

**Young Scientist of The Year Award** (2002) – for enthusiasm and aptitude for science

**Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award** (2002) – gained teamwork and problem solving skills

**20<sup>th</sup> World Scout Jamboree, Thailand** (2002) – In being selected to represent the UK, I gained a sense of responsibility, adaptability and an insight into cultural differences.

**Young Enterprise UK Exam 2001** (Pass) The position of Managing Director enhanced my leadership, teamwork and project management skills as well as a developing my business sense.

## References

Full references available on request.

