

TOM CHOWN: CURRICULUM VITAE

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Full clean UK Drivers license, Non-smoker

A BBC trained Video Journalist Tom Chown is a professional broadcaster with more than 12 years experience filming, editing and reporting in the UK and abroad. Highly Commended TV Journalist of the Year 2008 he has extensive experience producing news packages, current affairs and self-authored features across a wide range of genres.

Web 2.0 and new media technology, recognised by the Government's commitment to a 'Digital Britain', predicts that by 2013 90% of domestic internet usage will be streaming video. As Deputy Editor for Ten Alps Digital's pilot KentTV.com working with this emerging technology Tom remains at the forefront of video for web developments.

Employed by the BBC for 5 years Tom worked across news, documentary, online and investigations. In 2006 he travelled to Base Camp Barneo in the North Pole to produce a series of films for BBC News 24 and Nations & Regions. The footage was edited remotely in Svalbard and filed over the internet to the UK within 24 hours, a global first for getting pictures from 90°N.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Ten Alps Digital

- Deputy Editor for KentTV.com pilot
- Video Journalist: Producer/Director, Presenter and Editor
- Live streaming Producer
- Writing accompanying synopses, strap, hotlinks and meta tagging content
- Pre-moderating user generated content to Ofcom regulations

BBC South East

- Video Journalist/Assistant Producer
- Producer of the North Pole Marathon series
- Undercover investigative filming and surveillance
- South East Producer for BBC2's Restoration series
- Assistant Producer for BBC South East's Inside Out
- Experienced Field Producer for live Outside Broadcasts
- Part of the launch team of the South East's new Politics Show
- Exclusive access to aid projects in Africa
- Live gallery experience
- Broadcast Journalist for BBC Where I Live website & Video Nation Producer

Freelancer

- 3rd Assistant Director on the new Kate Moss RIMMEL and PHYSIO SPORT commercials
- Produced promotional films for blue chip clients and local government
- Assistant Producer in Brighton for the City of Culture bid.

Landscape Television Channel

- Digital Operations Manager for the channel's move from analogue to digital production
 - Installed digital video servers across Europe and Canada
 - Ran the production department whilst the Programming Director was on a sabbatical
 - Directed music videos, promos, trails and stings
 - Linear three machine Beta SP Editor
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PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- SONY Z1 & PD150 Shoot & Edit Video Journalist
 - AVID Xpress Pro, AVID Liquid
 - Content management systems, Dreamweaver, Photoshop, FTP software, & ENPS
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ACHIEVEMENTS

Highly Commended Television Journalist of the Year 2008, EDF London & South of England Media Awards

Highly Commended Broadcast News/Current Affairs Programme of the Year 2006 for “North Pole Marathon”, London & South of England Media Awards

Shortlisted International Video Journalism Awards 2006

Nominated for Original Journalism 2005, Royal Television Society Southern

VOLUNTARY WORK

In September 2004 I worked with Kent-based charity; Build Africa (formerly International Care & Relief). I flew to Kenya to film in slum villages with local youths who were being taught about HIV awareness and projects aimed at supplying rural villages with fresh water and produce a documentary. The film is now being used by the charity to promote their work and gain new sponsors to help raise funding. I produced a special feature highlighting the charity’s work, which was broadcast on BBC South East Today as part of the BBC’s Africa Week in July 2005.

TRAINING & QUALIFICATIONS

BBC Video Journalism training, Broadcasting House, Newcastle

BBC Journalism for Film Makers, Bristol

Web Writing & Journalism for Online, MHS Training Centre, London

3 ‘A’ Levels in Media Studies (A), Film Studies (C) & Geography (D), Bexhill Sixth Form College

9 GCSEs (A-C grades inc Maths, English, Media Studies & Double Science), Bexhill High School

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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