

Curriculum Vitae - Andrew Stokes – 03/06/23**address**

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education

1980-1982
 BA fine art film & video (uncompleted)
 St Martins school of art, London
 1979-1980
 foundation course art & design
 Goldsmiths college, London
 1972-1978
 Central Foundation boys grammar sch., London
 A Levels:
 art & design
 computer science
 O Levels:
 art computer science
 maths chemistry
 english engineering
 electronics pure maths
 physics chemistry

professional courses etc.

ACSET certificate for teachers in adult education
 Novell network supervisors
 Novell installers (RML)
 Unix systems managers (HP)
 Unix networking (HP)
 Wavefront 3D visualiser (Wavefront Belgium)
 Alias 3D modelling (Alias UK)
 IDEAS solid modelling (IDEAS)
 Multiplex Holography (RCA)
 Counselling Skills (Level 2)
 Counselling Skills (Level 3)
 Therapeutic Counselling Diploma (Level 4)

skills & interests

I am experienced in many areas of computing practice; in particular interface/ interaction design and computer networking. I have many years experience of managing web-servers & creating server-side solutions using Linux/Apache/MySQL/PHP.

I am also particularly skilled in the use of Lightroom, Photoshop, Dreamweaver etc., & other multimedia & web design software on both Macintosh & PC platforms, but am familiar with many other software packages including various CAD/CAM/3D visualisation systems and with installing/managing networks & Windows/ Mac/ linux systems. I have worked with various programming environments, including PHP, Flash/Actionscript & VB, and several DBMS including MySQL & Access.

My other major skill area is in (human) communications; teaching and developing courses (especially for non-technical people), which I practiced full-time for 11 years, developing & teaching courses in subjects as diverse as literacy, business studies and colour theory. I also have a diploma in therapeutic counselling & was for some years a part-time volunteer counsellor for Devon Carers Counselling service and have been a counsellor for young people in schools with Young Devon. I have also taught counselling at [Devon Counselling College](#).

I was twice elected as an independent member of my local Town Council (and acted as Chair/Mayor for 2 years), and served for some years as secretary of my local environmental/Transition group. I have also volunteered in my spare time to help Exmoor National Park, the Scouts, Animals Asia Foundation and various other charities & community organisations. Other interests include cycling, walking, writing & reading.

current situation

I have run my own freelance independent interactive media consultancy for over 20 years - working where necessary in conjunction with 3-4 other professional designers & coders around the country. This provides for the technical needs of several companies UK-wide - setting-up and administering linux/apache web-servers, domains & web-sites; developing back-end web-server solutions; troubleshooting systems; developing & hosting custom Wordpress web-sites; producing kiosks & interactive training systems; developing bespoke training courses and managing the digital photo-archive of Virginia Turbett.

I have also designed and taught courses in electronic publishing & ICT for the local education authority.

employment history**multimedia developer Bereza Associates- Sept 1995-Nov 2002**

Employed (mainly remotely teleworking) by Bereza Associates, a London-based multimedia development company developing anything from multimedia databases/ catalogues to exhibition kiosks to corporate web-sites, I have acted as sometime project manager, technical consultant, programmer, staff trainer & designer. Most of the work I did during this time involved Macromedia Director, Flash & Dreamweaver. I have also maintained/administered the companies linux/ apache web-server, and the domains/ web sites hosted on it.

jan 95-sept 95**project manager/concept designer Round One Media**

At the end of 1994 I moved from London to Devon, and there started working as a freelance & contract multimedia developer. During this time I had a number of individual clients (including BBC Online, and the National Museum of Scotland amongst others), After doing some freelance work for ROM, a Bideford based Multimedia publishing company, I was employed full-time as Project Manager/Designer on several projects - the main one being the concept design/specification and treatment of 'The Magic World of Beatrix Potter' for Penguin. Other work included Web site design for North Devon Council, and advisory/consultancy input on other Multimedia Publishing products.

sept 89-sept 94**systems tutor (lecturer) for computer related design at the Royal College of Art**

For 5 years, I was the primary provider of technology implementation and training within the school of design for industry, which consisted of 2-year MA courses in computer related design, industrial design, industrial design engineering, automotive design, and design management. I also taught on the interactive multimedia MA course.

My workload involved consulting on, specifying, purchasing, installing and maintaining all the computer equipment within the courses that made up this school (a mixture of Macs, PCs and Unix workstations /networks), as well as designing and teaching (or supervising the teaching) of courses (from 3D visualisation & Macromedia Director to computer literacy), and supervising students on individual projects. I worked on projects with Thorn EMI, Apple, Philips and British Steel amongst others.

During this time, I also set up video editing facilities for the school; designed and implemented installations & kiosks for the yearly degree show exhibitions and others; set up and developed an inter-departmental, cross platform network (including Unix workstations, Macintoshes and PC's), and taught interaction design.

1986-1989**lecturer in computing - Tower Hamlets Advanced Technology Training (THATT) & Assistant manager of THATT services ltd**

I was responsible for the design and implementation of new courses within THATT (a publicly funded training organisation for unemployed adults), as well as teaching the standard curriculum.

At the same time I was involved with formation of a commercial arm - THATT services ltd., which involved me in setting up dealerships, consultancy, installation & training for small companies, charities and trade unions (clients included Charity Projects Ltd., SOGAT, Tower Hamlets College, Tower Hamlets Small Business Association, Nat West, Tower Hamlets Council etc.). For 3 years, at this time, I founded and ran the East London PC user group.

1983-1986**lecturer/tutor in computing (various colleges and AEI's)**

I worked mainly for Tower Hamlets Adult Education Institute during this period as 'tutor-in-charge' of computing for those with learning difficulty and special needs. This consisted of working with teachers in literacy, numeracy etc. developing software and designing/teaching courses adapted to the physically & learning disabled. I was also the major provider, for some years, of general computing courses for the Institute.

During this time I also developed courses and taught part-time for other adult study institutions, including Hackney college, Pimlico Family Workshop, Inner London Educational Computer Centre etc.