



## Chris Brody

Web builder, project manager, musician, photographer

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## PROFILE

Expert in developing and managing clients' Internet presence, taking best advantage of available digital technologies. User interface designer and website creator with over 20 years of experience implementing content management systems (CMS). Broad background in project management, application development, desktop, server and network support gained working for commercial and non-profit organisations in academia, research, arts, media, telecoms and publishing sectors.

## KEY SKILLS

- Excellent written and oral communication, IA, UX, UI & graphic design
- IT infrastructure planning and implementation, software project management
- Responsive web design, building, migrations, development, testing, implementation
- Drupal, WordPress, HTML, CSS, JS/jQuery, PHP, Twig, XML, JSON, APIs
- Full stack DevOps, server management, cybersecurity and maintenance (Linux, Apache, Nginx, MySQL, Acquia Cloud Platform, AWS, Pantheon, PEN & CVE testing, git/GitHub, CLI tools etc.)
- Desktop apps including Adobe XD, Acrobat, Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, Audition; Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Teams etc.; Google workplace, etc.

## CAREER HISTORY

**International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED)** Aug 2021 to present

### ***Web services manager (part-time)***

Jointly responsible for the development, maintenance and technical infrastructure for IIED's websites, sub-sites and partner sites. Working with the brilliant communications team to design, build and maintain the research institute's web presence using open-source frameworks (e.g. Drupal 10), to W3C standards and WAI accessibility guidelines. Often working as project manager and/or lead developer capacity, tasks include:

- Identify requirements and implement suitable environments for development operations, information architecture and content creation (often multilingual)
- Create front-end and admin UIs with responsive templates using php, twig, xhtml, css, javascript and css/js frameworks, e.g. tailwindcss.
- Identify, develop, test, install and configure custom and contributed code
- Manage, maintain and secure the hosting infrastructure (e.g. Acquia Cloud, AWS) and applications using virtualisation, web-based and CLI tools

*Flagship website*

*Reversing Environmental Degradation in Africa and Asia (REDAA)*

*Sentinel*

[iied.org](http://iied.org)

[redaa.org](http://redaa.org)

[sentinel-gcrf.org](http://sentinel-gcrf.org)

Previous projects completed while consulting for IIED include ***People Not Poaching***, *Climate and Development Learning Platform*, *UrbanARK*, *GreenEcoNet*, *Shaping Sustainable Markets*, *Race to the Top*, many others.

**Director and IT consultant, [cbrody.com](http://cbrody.com) Ltd**

Feb 2002 to present

Clients include not-for-profit organisations, commercial enterprises and individuals e.g.:

**Centre for Agroecology, Water and Resilience (CAWR), Coventry University**

- Design, build, maintenance of project website (Drupal v7, later migrated to v8/9–10)  
*Democratising Agricultural Research* [excludedvoices.org](http://excludedvoices.org)

**Geosciences Department, Edinburgh University**

- Design, development, testing, implementation, security & maintenance (Drupal v8/9)  
*Tomorrow's Cities* [tomorrowcities.org](http://tomorrowcities.org)

**Westfield Restaurants**

- Providing an Internet presence and IT support for the group since 2002
- Drupal multi-site and WordPress implementations, SEO/SEM, wired LAN & mesh WiFi network installation, Microsoft Windows desktop and application support  
*Café Piazza* [cafepiazza.london](http://cafepiazza.london)

**Amati, Our Cello Community, Randall's Monitoring, Rachel Cooper, Anna Tam, Crystal Palace Quartet, Dr Stuart Molloy, Camerata of London, Green Economy Coalition, Campaign Together, Compass, many others** (see [cbrody.com/clients](http://cbrody.com/clients) for list)

- Providing an internet presence and IT support for small businesses, non-profit groups and freelancers
- Website design, coding, testing and implementation, domain registration, server provisioning, web and email hosting, security, updates, maintenance
- e-commerce, including development and integration of credit card authorisation methods for payment processing
- SEO/SEM promotion and communications, including newsletters, advertisements etc.
- Stills photography, videography and livestreaming to social media platforms
- Example sites include ***amati.co.uk***, ***ourcellocommunity.com***, ***rachelcooperviolin.com***, ***annatam.co.uk***, ***wilderoses.com***, ***dr-molloy-stuart-chirurgiens-dentistes.fr***, ***crystalpalacequartet.uk***

## **PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT**

**Parliamentary Communications Ltd.**

***IT manager***

Jan 2001 to July 2001

- Responsible for IT provision to this publishing group, managing a staff of 11
- System administrator and helpdesk manager for server, desktop & application issues

***Project manager***, ePolitix.com

Mar 2000 to July 2001

- Responsible for a team of seven developers and designers

- Project managed the initial versions of a custom-built CMS/Internet portal
- Trained and supported users and technical staff on the system

#### **4D telecom limited**

##### ***IT manager***

Jan 1998 to Feb 2000

- Responsible for technical infrastructure, application software development, desktop and server support, managing a small team of developers and support engineers
- Wrote operating procedures, trained and audited staff to ISO 9001 quality standards

#### **Telephone International Media Ltd.**

##### ***Project manager / Software support engineer***

Nov 1993 to Dec 1997

- Application support and development, specialising in UIs for Interactive Voice Response (telephone) applications
- Project management for infrastructure, systems and application development

#### **Walshs Television Facilities (now Millbank Studios)**

##### ***Operator / Systems analyst***

Jan 1992 to Oct 1993

- Live captioning, video switching and software development for Parliamentary Channel

### **OTHER SELF-EMPLOYMENT**

##### ***Freelance violist, singer (bass), fixer, promoter***

1988 to present

- Frequent orchestral and chamber music performances (see [cbrody.com/music](http://cbrody.com/music) for CV)
- Founding member of the Lundonia Ensemble and Crystal Palace Quartet
- Chair and fixer, Surrey Sinfonietta and Camerata of London
- Online and real-world marketing and promotion

##### ***Freelance IT consultant***

1991 to 1993

- Ad-hoc work for SMEs including CRM & database design, software and hardware installations, training and support

### **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

- Self-led professional development: Udemy, Coursera, YouTube etc. ongoing
- Introduction to Filmmaking: City Academy, London 2020
- Introduction to Management: LDL, London 1999
- Internal Quality Auditing (ISO9001): Allery Scotts, London 1998
- Advanced IVR courses: C3 Computer Telephony, BVS, Telsis, MSIS 1994 to 1995
- Post-diploma Orchestral Training: Guildhall School of Music and Drama, London 1988
- Bachelor of Arts: Brandeis University, Waltham, MA, USA 1985
- Scholar's Diploma: Peabody High School, Pittsburgh, PA, USA 1981

### **REFERENCES**

Available on request