

STUART HUGHES



Stuart Hughes is one of the BBC's most experienced and respected news producers. He has covered pivotal news events from Europe to South East Asia, including the 9/11 attacks, the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, the Arab Uprisings, the death of Nelson Mandela and the Oscar Pistorius trial.

While reporting from Iraq in 2003, Stuart was critically injured when he stepped on an anti-personnel landmine, which led to the amputation of his lower leg. After learning to walk again, Stuart resumed his career using a state-of-the-art prosthesis.

Stuart is a patron of the Mines Advisory Group, a charity which has cleared unexploded ordnance in more than 40 countries.

Stuart's campaigning work against landmines was recognised when he was selected to carry the Olympic Torch in London in July 2012.

Stuart also works to raise awareness of the physical safety issues faced by journalists operating in war zones and the potential psychological toll of reporting conflict.

He is a member of the advisory committee of the Rory Peck Trust, the only charity in the world dedicated to improving the safety and welfare of freelance news gatherers and their families. He is a consultant to the International News Safety Institute, a member of the European Society for Traumatic Stress Studies and a regular speaker and moderator at the Frontline Club in London.

Stuart is often called on to share his personal experience of journalism and conflict with government departments, major corporations, academic institutions and NGOs. He is a sought-after chairman and panelist at international media conferences. He is also a visiting lecturer in journalism at a number of leading universities and writes about emerging trends within the news industry for the BBC College of Journalism.

Stuart Hughes is an Ochberg Fellow at Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism in New York and a Kiplinger Fellow at The Ohio State University in Columbus, OH.

A selection of his recent work can be found at www.stuarthughesnews.co.uk