

James Piercy

Science Communicator



James has worked in science communication for over 20 years.

James is Communication and Engagement officer at the John Innes Centre and The Sainsbury's Laboratory, and a freelance public engagement trainer and consultant. He is an honorary lecturer in science communication at the University of East Anglia.

He has been involved in writing, producing and delivering; science shows, workshops and dialogue events for wide ranging audiences since 1995. He has appeared on television and radio numerous times to present scientific ideas and demonstrations, notably on 'The Investigators' for Channel 4, which was nominated for a Children's BAFTA and 'My Head' for BBC Radio 4 which won the Royal Society Radio award 2015. He holds the LAMDA gold medal with distinction in public speaking.

James' life changed dramatically in January 2011 when a serious road accident left him with a severe head injury. He was in hospital for nearly 2 months and whilst having made a remarkable recovery still lives with the effects of his injury.

James is involved in a number of Patient Public Involvement programmes, acting as lay member on a research committee, as a public reviewer for NIHR and is on the Quality standards committee for Trauma.

He is an ambassador for United Kingdom Acquired Brain Injury Forum and the European Brain Council.