

# Steve James

## Overview

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Full Name:	Mr Stephen James
Nationality:	Dual British / Australian Citizen
Born:	UK
Website:	<a href="https://stevejames.dev">https://stevejames.dev</a>

- BSc in Artificial Intelligence (1996) - MSc in Artificial Life (2006)
  - Over 30 years professional experience in web application development
  - Accomplished Founder / CTO for numerous successful businesses
  - Strong "hands on" approach to leadership
  - Passionate innovator and evangelist for future tech
  - Solid understanding of development methodologies and best practices
  - Excellent communicator able to express complex ideas with all kinds of stakeholder
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## Education

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2004 - 2006	<b>MSc Artificial Life</b>
University of Sussex UK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Part-time</li><li>• Awarded 1st with Distinction</li></ul>

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1993 - 1996	<b>BSc Artificial Intelligence</b>
University of Birmingham, UK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Full-time</li><li>• Awarded 2:1</li></ul>

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## Professional Career - part II

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2022 - Present	<b>Consultant</b>
Iteri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Offering fractional CTO consultancy for GenAI startups</li><li>• Harnessing the full range of my professional and academic skills; including:-<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ A deep passion for and comprehensive academic engagement with <b>AI</b> and <b>ML</b></li><li>◦ Over 30+ years on the tools as a professional developer</li><li>◦ Numerous outings as a successful founding CTO within the startup space</li><li>◦ Strong leadership skills - a respected player coach</li><li>◦ Rare ability to communicate the most complex technology</li></ul></li></ul>

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2019 - 2022	<b>Founder / CTO / Lead Dev</b>
<b>OpsBase</b> FOUNDED: 2019 SOLD: 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>ACQUIRED</b> by <b>Ideagen PLC</b> in 2021</li><li>• Third significant outing as a founding CTO</li><li>• Working alongside same management team as at GenieMobile</li><li>• Designed and built a "Checklist" tool for the Health &amp; Safety sector</li><li>• Adopted a completely hands-on leadership position for the development of the entire solution</li><li>• Directed a team of 8 developers / designers out of our Sydney office whilst the Sales &amp; Marketing teams were run out of the UK.</li><li>• 16+ Employees / 200+ Clients / 18 million+ Checklists performed</li></ul>

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## Career break

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2016 - 2019	<b>Travelled the world</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Travelled the world for a few months</li><li>• Visited Africa, India, Singapore, Vietnam and eventually landed in Australia</li><li>• Met my wife in Australia and started a family</li><li>• During this time I took on a few contract roles and explored a few development ideas</li></ul>	

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## Professional Career - part I

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2010 - 2015	<b>Founder / CTO / Lead Dev</b>	
<b>Genie Connect</b> FOUNDED: 2010 SOLD: 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>ACQUIRED</b> by <b>Lanyon PLC</b> in Dec 2014</li><li>• Second outing as a founding CTO</li><li>• Designed and led the development of a javascript driven "Mobile App Maker" for the Events Market</li><li>• 40+ Employees / 100+ Clients / 2500+ Mobile Apps Produced</li><li>• Directed team of 12 developers</li></ul>	
2000 - 2009	<b>Founder / CTO / Lead Dev</b>	
<b>Acorn Ecommerce</b> FOUNDED: 2000 SOLD: 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>ACQUIRED</b> by <b>Pindar PLC</b> in Oct 2007</li><li>• My first outing as a founding CTO</li><li>• Designed and led the development of a "Website Maker" for the Ecommerce Market</li><li>• 5 Employees / 100+ Clients / £50m+ Orders Processed</li></ul>	
1997 - 1999	<b>Lead Dev</b>	
<b>Netwise</b> FOUNDED: 1997 SOLD: 1998	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>ACQUIRED</b> by <b>National Association of Estate Agents</b> in 1998</li><li>• My first job out of university</li><li>• Sole developer on a web application for Property agents.</li></ul>	

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## Beyond work I like to...

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Teach STEM (robotics) to different age groups of kids during the school holidays</li><li>• Keep up with the academic literature on philosophy of mind</li><li>• Code VR experiments in Unity</li><li>• Build carpentry</li><li>• Garden</li></ul>
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