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In 1993 I performed in the Sky One show 'Gamesworld', appearing as larger than life cult hero 'Big Boy Barry'. The show proved successful and was re-commissioned for a second series, and I was signed up for my own spin off show.

Launched in 1994, my spin off series 'Barry's Joypad', performed second only to The Simpsons as the highest rated show on Sky One. I was invited to attend the 'Stevie Awards' hosted by Chris Tarrant, and received the prestigious statuette for the category of 'Best Gameshow'.

The following year, I starred in a second series of my spin off, this time entitled 'Barry TV'. Joined by my co-host David Walliams (of Little Britain fame), the format gave me ample opportunity to display my ad-libbing and interviewing skills.

Soon after, I was hired by ITV to present a new live interactive game show by the name of 'T.I.G.S' (Totally Interactive Game Show). Joined by co-host Gail Porter, T.I.G.S was the most ambitious attempt at live and interactive broadcasting yet attempted.

Now well known for my knowledge and competence of both youth and technology based presenting, I was chosen to launch a show for brand new channel 'TV' (The Computer Channel). Known simply as 'The Barry Show', this new production tapped in to my established 'Big Boy Barry' persona, and ran every night, over a staggering run of two years!

My success continued with presenting jobs on Sky One's 'The Hit Mix', and appearing in promotional films for the BBC.

I later returned to Sky One, to co-host a new daily production of 'Gamesworld'. My career began to broaden, turning to various projects including promotional films for O2 and a music video for 'The Pretenders'. Meeting with bosses at Carlton Television, I pitched a concept of a weekly video game series to be produced and presented by myself, which was then commissioned for the channel Carlton Kids.



Leading from the success of my Carlton Kids presenting, later that year I started work on the Childrens ITV show 'Mad for It!' Creating and performing a madcap character by the name of 'Pie Boy' My role in the show rapidly expanded, allowing me to appear in the outside broadcasts, as well as in the live studio.

A little while ago I was courted by Channel Five to appear in a documentary charting the success of Matt Lucas and David Walliams. The show 'Little Britain: A Showbiz Marriage' proved a ratings winner and I was pleased to furnish the producers with many anecdotes of working alongside the talented Mr Walliams, footage of which can be found on my showreel at [www.redcanyon.co.uk](http://www.redcanyon.co.uk).

Recently I have combined my presenting skills with my extensive knowledge of video games, technology, and product demonstration abilities, turning my hand to corporate speaking. Working for one of the worlds largest manufactures of video game hardware, I have travelled the world and presented live to thousands of industry professionals, demonstrating product and supporting the company's brand. As a result, I have appeared on dozens of industry leading websites, including the Sony 'PlayStation Home' service offering 'video demonstrations' and interviews to support the company's product range.

I firmly believe that my career has only just begun despite being blessed with so much experience and exciting opportunities to date. I look forward to taking the next steps in what has already been an exhilarating, breathless and sometimes surreal adventure.

