

Me and My Job

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What is your typical day?

I have no set working hours but generally start in the office at around 8.30am to check my e-mails and messages. There are no two days the same but always lots of meetings. These are either with staff, clients or architects and designers working on planting and display schemes. Even though I live close to the office I quite often don't get home until 9.00pm.

What takes up most of your day?

Working on design schemes and providing quotations for existing and new clients.

Do you get out of the office enough?

Yes. I'm out of the office most days overseeing installations, meeting clients or working with architects on various new schemes. This takes up a very large part of my day.

What is the best part of your day?

Anything to do with design; I crave creativity! This is closely followed by the social side; I love dealing with people.

And the worst?

Technology - I hate it!

What piece of kit can't you do without?

My mobile phone and note book. More important, though, is the assistance and support of the staff around me.

How do you wind down after a days work?

I do find it difficult to switch off at times but try to live life and enjoy London to the full.

What does the future hold?

The future is very exciting. We are about to launch our new services to Indoor Garden Design; 'In Bloom' our creative flowering plant service and 'Outdoors' exterior landscaping from design concept through to installation and maintenance. I have also recently joined the committee for eFIG (The European Federation of Interior Landscaping Groups) which is a challenge I am very much looking forward to.