

Marc Woods

Paralympic swimmer and cancer ambassador

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About

Marc Woods was diagnosed with cancer at 17 and consequently had his left leg amputated below the knee. Not knowing whether he had six months or 60 years left to live, he was determined to make the most of whatever time he did have. His dream was to simply be the best that he could be and just 18 months after he finished his chemotherapy he was selected to represent Great Britain.

Marc has gone on to become a member of Great Britain's Paralympic Swimming Team, a multiple Gold Medallist, BBC commentator and author. Woods' distinctive, open style demonstrates his passion for life, translating into a moving and motivating experience for audiences.

Now retired from international swimming Marc Woods has embarked on a series of new challenges. Having already trekked in Nepal, Ecuador and Peru (the Inca Trail) he has begun to develop his mountaineering skills. To date he has climbed the world's highest volcano, Cotopaxi in Ecuador; Mont Pelvoux part of the Massif des Ecrins in France and 22,200ft Mera Peak in Nepal.

In 2012, Marc Woods was an ambassador for the London 2012 Olympic Games and also a member of the British Paralympic Advisory Panel. Marc also works with many charities and is a trustee for the Teenage Cancer Trust, Bone Cancer Research Trust and CANSA (South Africa's Cancer Charity).

Marc Woods was awarded an honorary Doctorate by Middlesex University and was made a Freeman of the City of London. He continues to push boundaries and adopt tougher and tougher challenges.

Marc is based in the UK & US and divides his time between the two. He is passionate about delivering his message to businesses all over the world.

Video



Testimonials



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Marc Woods has a remarkable story and is an absolute inspiration.

Roger Daltry

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We were absolutely thrilled with Marc's story. He enthralled us, entertained us, he moved us through the emotions, but critically he showed us the power of focus in delivering our goals and objectives. It was so good to see the whole team leaving the session with a smile on their face and a spring in their step.

CJS, Criminal Justice IT

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Marc's story is remarkable, but the way he draws out so many personal and professional parallels in such an entertaining way means that the audience's attention is 100% all the way through. I think every one of the 400 of our staff who attended gained something personally and I can see our company growing as a result.

Ceridian

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Personally and professionally I believe everyone walked away with a special message from you.

Barclays

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I enjoyed your talk at our event yesterday. Suffice to say it was easily the high point of the day, and everybody, (and I mean EVERYBODY) who attended that I've spoken to feel exactly the same way.

HBOS plc

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I want to thank you so very much for coming along to speak to us. All that were there hung on every word, cheered you down the straight and were with you on the Path to Gold.

Goldman Sachs

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My special thanks to you is for sharing a part of your life straight from the heart - it was inspirational. I was also really pleased that you chose to stay with us

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What can anyone say about this guy, he is an absolute inspiration. I really enjoyed listening to Marc. It was very humbling, thought provoking,

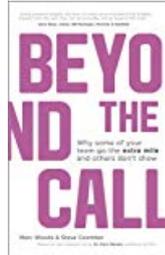
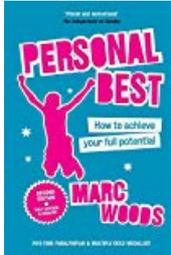
on Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning as it demonstrated your commitment to, and interest in, us.

Pfizer

informative and funny all at the same time.

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Books and DVD's



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