

DevX Highlights Steve Morris on Website Security Best Practices: NEWMEDIA.COM Brings Technical Rigor to the Forefront

DENVER, CO, UNITED STATES, October 8, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- DevX, one of the web's most respected developer-focused publications, has published a feature article titled "12 Website Security Mistakes to Avoid", spotlighting commentary from Steve Morris, Founder & CEO of NEWMEDIA.COM, on the most overlooked, and dangerous, pitfalls in modern website security.

The article emphasizes real-world threats, offering input from a curated set of web infrastructure and DevOps experts.

Morris's contribution stood out for its practical focus on automation, repeatable hardening processes, and infrastructure-as-code.



Rather than relying solely on firewalls or endpoint tools, Morris calls for a mindset shift: security is not a product; it's a discipline.

"The most common mistake I see in website security is the most silent: thinking that once you've installed some kind of firewall or WAF or endpoint solution, the job is done," Morris explains.

"Even in name-brand environments I've visited, I've seen AWS instances launched with wide-open ports, S3 buckets with default permissions, and production credentials copied into QA. The issue isn't tools; it's process."

Morris advocates for codified automation using platforms like Terraform and Ansible, enabling web teams to spin up hardened environments consistently and without human oversight errors. "The single most important improvement web teams can make is to automate their secure hardening process, and make sure it applies to every environment," he says.

The approach is not theoretical: NEWMEDIA.COM recently launched a multi-brand B2B product using this automated DevOps methodology, resulting in 75% fewer QA tickets for configuration issues, improved cross-environment isolation, and complete elimination of credential leakage. As Morris puts it:





Steve Morris emphasizes a "process first" approach in safeguarding web environments

Automating websecurity



Relying solely on tools can leave gaps in protection



Deploy policies repeatably across every iteration



Automate secure environment hardening with IaC tools

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Automating Website Security, DevX

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While NEWMEDIA.COM is widely known for its highperformance web development and strategic marketing capabilities, this feature in DevX reinforces the agency's deep technical proficiency in DevOps, security architecture, and infrastructure hardening.

In an era where visibility and uptime are as important as brand design and conversion rates, NEWMEDIA.COM stands apart by delivering secure, scalable digital ecosystems that perform under pressure.

Clients benefit from the agency's ability to seamlessly integrate:

- Secure infrastructure-as-code deployments
- DevOps automation across environments
- Full-stack performance optimization
- Enterprise-grade compliance and audit-readiness

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Steve Morris, Founder & CEO, is a nationally recognized voice in the intersections of web infrastructure, secure DevOps, and growth architecture.

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