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Will the real Skip Intro please start narrating.
Now!



Many Hats

All right, already. I am the real Skip Intro and I'm here to introduce you to Mark Saunders. As a word and picture guy who has worked in three different startups, as well as his own company, Mark is known to wear many hats. For example...



Many Hats

... For example, he wears this hat...



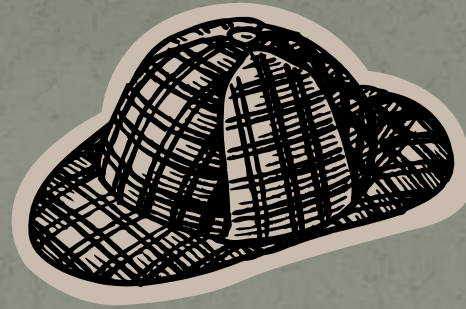
...whenever he rides.

Many Hats

WRITES! He's a writer, not a rider, you idiot. That's the problem with using free clip art. You get what you pay for.



Sorry. My bad. I meant to say "writer." If it's all right with you, Mr. Saunders, I'd like to continue.



Business Writer

Mark has planned and produced just about every type of online and hardcopy sales and customer piece, from data sheets to press releases, from newsletters to brochures, case studies to flash shows to trade shows—and all pieces in-between. He worked as a journalist during his tenure in the military, and taught Freshman Composition while in graduate school.





Playwright

About seven years ago, Mark started writing plays, all short comedies (to match his height). Since then, nearly 20 of his plays have been produced in regional theatres across the country, from Portland to New York City, and several of them have won awards.





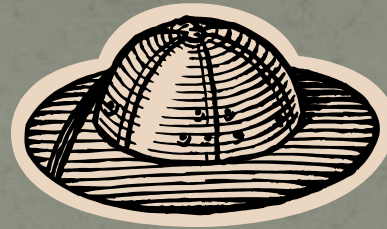
Screenwriter

Five years ago, Mark started writing screenplays. One of his feature scripts was recently optioned; the script is titled “Poodle Call,” and it’s a family story about what happens when a competitive sports nut coaches a team of poodles in a dog-sled race. Two of his short film scripts have been optioned as well, and one was filmed.



Cartoonist

For several years, Mark was a part-time gag cartoonist. More than 500 of his drawings have been published in magazines and newspapers. For a short time he performed stand-up comedy. After giving up the mic for saner pursuits, he continued to write comedy material for other performers.



He's Back!

In November 2005, Mark began a self-funded sabbatical and moved to San Miguel de Allende, in the central highlands of Mexico, where he wrote a non-fiction humor book about the experience. (We'll Always Have Parasites: The good, the bad, and the not so pretty about dropping out and moving to Mexico.) He recently returned to the States and currently lives in Hillsboro, Oregon, 17 miles west of Portland.



Personality

Mark works and plays well with others. He used to be very shy. In fact, in high school he was so shy—

How shy was he?

--he was so shy, he was voted Most Likely to be Marked Absent by Mistake.



Thank you!

I am now going to close my introduction. But first, I want to remind you to check out the pages on Mark's be it ever so humble, template-driven and downright cheap Web site. This is Skip Intro, saying, adios for now and hasta la pasta.



Mark Saunders

Recent Accomplishments:
Remembering where I live

Last library book late fee:
Howard Zinn's *A People's
History of the United States*
(a real downer)

Last obscure movie watched
and enjoyed: *Saint Ralph*

Last song sung in the
shower: Some classic rock
tune in Mexico. Don't ask.

Favorite quote: "Dr. Seuss,
you have an imagination
with a long tail." (from a
child's letter to Ted Geisel)

Goal: To reduce my
carbonara footprint by at
least 10 pounds.

Go ahead, make Mark's day.

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