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ABOUT MICHAEL

For more than 20 years, I've been using audio to tell stories in the world of public media. But really I've been doing it my entire life, producing my first story on a cassette recorder in kindergarten. But some much more recent highlights include:

- Helping launch the daily radio show & podcast Houston Matters in 2013
- Overseeing/producing a few thousand audio segments about Houston in 8 years
- Writing and producing several mini audio documentaries
- Single-handedly launching a local content unit at a brand-new NPR station

EDUCATION

B.S. IN JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

Abilene Christian University, May 2001

SKILLS

AUDIO PRODUCTION (MAKING THINGS SOUND GOOD)

Producing and editing audio in the public radio style, telling engaging stories, conveying critical information, and even prompting the occasional tear.

PLANNING/MANAGING CONTENT (MAKING THINGS HAPPEN)

Brainstorming, vetting, planning, refining, and scheduling content for five hour-long radio/podcast episodes a week for the past eight years.

WRITING (MAKING SENSE)

Crafting and refining clear, concise, and compelling stories for an audience.

WEB/SOCIAL MEDIA PRODUCTION (EXPANDING OUR REACH)

Converting audio content into written articles for the web and social media.

MANAGING COMPLEX PROJECTS AND TASKS (BEING A GROWN UP)

Handling the demands of multiple, simultaneous projects. Making sure deadlines are met efficiently, consistently.

MANAGING PEOPLE (BEING A HUMAN)

Guiding, encouraging, and empowering a team of producers toward our creative goals and to handle the never-ending demands of production.

WORK EXPERIENCE

SENIOR PRODUCER, HOUSTON MATTERS (2013 – PRESENT)

Lead producer and fill-in host for Houston Matters, the daily, hour-long radio show/podcast on Houston's NPR station (Houston Public Media).

SENIOR PRODUCER/NEWS DIRECTOR (2008 – 2013)

PBS and NPR stations in Reno, Nevada (KNPB-TV and KUNR-FM)
Produced TV documentaries, radio stories, and web articles. Managed staff.

SENIOR PRODUCER/NEWS DIRECTOR (2001 – 2008)

PBS and NPR stations in Waco, Texas (KWBU-TV/FM)
Created radio stories and TV pieces, hosted live segments, managed website.

NEWS PRODUCER/ON-AIR HOST (1998 – 2001)

NPR station in Abilene, Texas (KACU-FM)
Created content for radio and the web, hosted daily live segments.

SOFTWARE

AUDIO/VIDEO PRODUCTION (ADOBE CREATIVE SUITE, ET AL)

Audition, Premiere, ProTools, & Final Cut Pro

DESIGN (ADOBE CREATIVE SUITE, ET AL)

Photoshop, Illustrator, & InDesign

WEB (CONTENT MANAGEMENT)

WordPress and HTML

MICROSOFT OFFICE (EVERYTHING ELSE)

Word, Outlook, Power Point