

Mark S. Meyers

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Profile

I have dedicated the last 20 years to improving the plight of the American Donkey. In 2000 my wife and I founded the Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue and it has since grown into the largest equine rescue organization in the Western Hemisphere. In my career as a donkey rescue professional, I have rescued over 10,000 donkeys from all across the country, Hawaii and the Caribbean. Our organization currently manages over 3,000 donkeys.

Business Experience

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PEACEFUL VALLEY DONKEY RESCUE — 2000-PRESENT

Duties include fundraising, web design, marketing, transportation and donkey capture projects.

PRESIDENT, MARK S. MEYERS CONSTRUCTION — 1993-2005

Duties included project estimation and project management. Construction included retail stores, churches and light industrial buildings. Licensed in both general construction and master electrician.

PRESIDENT, WISE ELECTRIC — 1990-1993

Duties included project estimation and project management. Construction included regional malls, tenant improvement and retail stores.

PROJECT MANAGER, WISE ELECTRIC — 1987-1990

Duties included project estimation and project management. Construction included regional malls, tenant improvement and retail stores.

Education

The Center on Philanthropy at the University of Indiana — !
Certificate in Fund Raising Management 2009

Skills

My skills in marketing, organization and people management stemming from my background in construction have been instrumental in the success of the Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue. As a rescue professional, I hold a Commercial Drivers License, I have invented several safe and effective donkey capture methods and I am a highly successful fundraiser. I have published four books in my Talking With Donkeys series that have been highly acclaimed and have sold thousands of copies. I am also a film maker and have been awarded an Aurora Award for my documentary Forgotten: The Plight of the American Donkey.

Accomplishments

Talking With Donkeys Book Series

Talking With Donkeys: An Intimate Look at the World's Most Maligned Animal (2005)

Talking With Donkeys 2: The Simple Philosophy of a 21st Century Burroman (2007)

Talking With Donkeys 3: Saving Them All (2009)

Talking With Donkeys 4: Riding For The Brand (2011)

Forgotten: The Plight of the American Donkey

Documentary Video: Aurora Award (2015)

Companion Book (2015)

Today's Donkey in the "New World" Book

Donkeys of the Caribbean (2017)

The Burro Movie (in production)

Communication

Lecture and Demonstration-UC Davis

2017 Donkey Welfare Symposium

Davis, CA

Lecture-Cornell University

2016 Donkey Veterinary Course

Ithaca, NY

Lecture and Demonstration-Cornell University

2016 Donkey Welfare Symposium

Ithaca, NY

Lecture and Demonstration-UC Davis

2015 Donkey Welfare Symposium

Davis, CA

Lecture and Demonstration-UC Davis

2014 Donkey Welfare Symposium

Davis, CA

Lecture and Demonstration-UC Davis

2013 Donkey Welfare Symposium

Davis, CA

Lecture and Demonstration-UC Davis

Lions, Rotary, Moose and Kiwanis Clubs

Leavenworth, KS

Ballinger, TX

San Angelo, TX

Miami, FL

Mesquite, NV

Tehachapi, CA

Glendale, CA

Los Angeles, CA

Lancaster, CA

Bakersfield, CA

Topeka Zoo

Summer Camp Kids presentation with donkeys

Red Hat Ladies

Tehachapi, CA
San Angelo, TX

Bear Valley Equine Association

Tehachapi, CA

Featured in

LA Times
New York Times
Wall Street Journal
Dallas Morning Star
National Geographic
Animal Planet
Texas Country Reporter
Lion's Roar Magazine
Sidelines Magazine
Pony Pals Magazine
Rural Heritage

Photography Credits

2017 Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue Calendar
2018 Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue Calendar
2019 Peaceful Valley Donkey Rescue Calendar
Outside Magazine
Sidelines Magazine
Pony Pals Magazine
2019 Rural Heritage Calendar

References

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Websites

DonkeyRescue.org
WildBurras.org

Burro.Photography
DonkeyRescue.com

WildBurroManagement.org
WildBurroProject.org