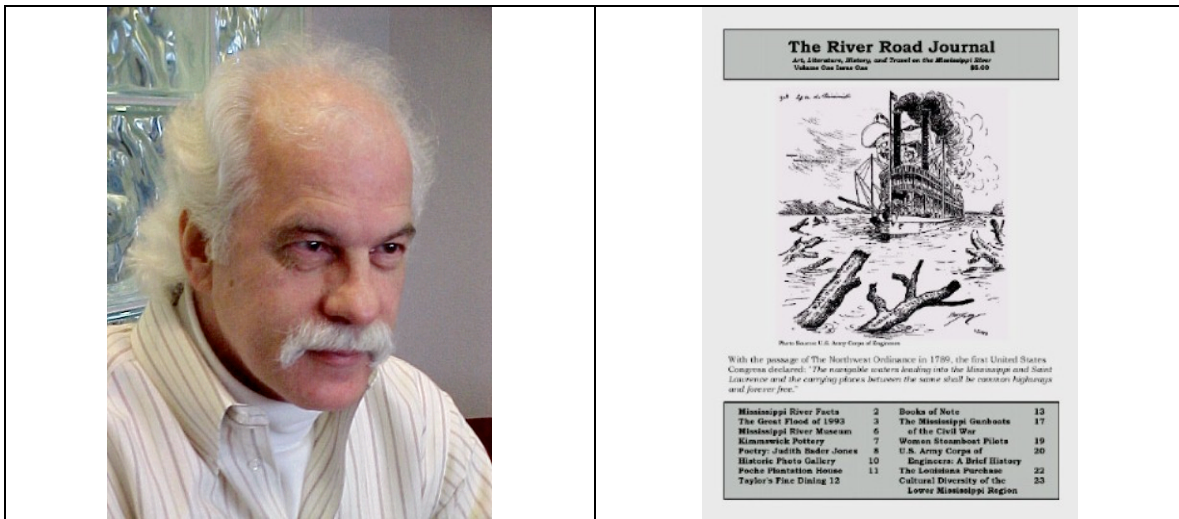


MICHAEL ERBSCHLOE



Michael Erbschloe is a renowned non-fiction author and publisher who recently released a literary journal focusing on the Mississippi River. "Break in" publication and editorial opportunities are available to St. Louis writers.

Check out the premiere issue (in .pdf format) of *The River Road Journal* at <http://www.stlwritersguild.org/documents/riverroadjournalsspring2005.pdf>. This is an exclusive offering to the St. Louis Writers Guild from the publisher.

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Michael Erbschloe's professional writing career has spanned more than thirty years. For most of those years, he wrote technological books, articles, and studies in the computer field. Although he still teaches computer security courses, he considers himself retired from the technology field and spends much of his time now on creative writing pursuits and working in Kimmswick (an artists' community on the Mississippi River, about 25 miles south of St. Louis). His long-time friend, Chris Ferbet, who also makes the pottery she sells, owns Kimmswick Pottery where Michael works when he's not writing and promoting *River Road Journal*, his new literary magazine.

We interviewed Michael recently about RRJ and his new life. He told us that the idea for *River Road Journal* came to life on a chilly day last fall by the fire in the front of the Pottery Shop. "There is always conversation about history, art, and travel when people sit around the fire," he said. "And in our neck of the woods, the Mississippi is often part of those conversations." He decided to publish a magazine focusing on art, history, literature, and travel on the Mississippi River—from its northernmost point in Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico in Louisiana.

This is not as big a career transition as it might seem. "I have been writing, editing, and publishing in the information technology field since 1988," Michael said. "I do it well and now I am simply focusing on another topic that interests me. I see it as a continuation, rather than as a transition."

Michael's favorite author is Margaret Atwood and her work has had an impact on his appreciation for literature. He is also an artist who paints acrylic on canvas and wood. Some of his subjects are extraordinary characters he calls Exopa Creatures, which can be seen at Kimmswick Pottery.

"Does this mean that you are leaving computers behind?" we asked.

"No, I use them all of the time, including for my own style of computer enhanced artwork and to publish and write," he explained.

"What is your artwork like?" (We just had to ask.)

"You will either be fascinated or frightened by it," he said. "There are very few 'in between' reactions." He seemed happy about this.

Michael Erbschloe's Publications:

Books

Physical Security for IT (Elsevier Science)

Trojans, Worms, and Spyware (Butterworth-Heinemann)

Implementing Homeland Security in Enterprise IT (Digital Press)

Guide to Disaster Recovery (Course Technology)

Socially Responsible IT Management (Digital Press)

Information Warfare: How to Survive Cyber Attacks (McGraw Hill)

The Executive's Guide to Privacy Management (McGraw Hill)

Net Privacy: A Guide to Developing & Implementing an E-Business Privacy Plan (McGraw Hill)

Published Studies

"IT Security: Perceptions, Awareness, and Practices" (Computer Economics)

"Achieving a Positive ROI for IT Security" (Computer Economics)

"Information Systems Spending & Technology Trends"—an annual study (Computer Economics)

"The Return on Investment for Network Security" (Cisco Systems)

- ”Economic Impact of Network Security Threats” (Cisco Systems)
- ”Privacy Protection Depends on Network Security” (Cisco Systems)
- ”Action Steps for Improving Information Security” (Cisco Systems)
- ”IDS Management” (Forescout Technologies)

Articles

Michael has written non-fiction articles for more than 30 different Computer Economics publications and over 40 other publications owned by various companies including *InformationWeek*, *ComputerWorld*, *Computer Edge*, *InfoWorld*, *Modern Physician*, *Telecommunications Magazine*, *RS Magazine*, the *Journal of Information System Management*, and the *Journal of Information Systems Security*. Here are just a few of his articles:

- “Seven Deadly Trends: Why Silver Bullets So Often Become Money Pits” (Computer Economics)
- ”E-Business Opportunities Hidden in Supply Chain Management” (*Computer Economics*)
- ”What is Computer Crime Costing Your Company?” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”IT Ergonomics Add New Element to TCO” (*Computer Economics*)
- ”Computer Crime: Real Threat?” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”Training Needs in the Information Age” (*Computer Economics*)
- ”Freedom in the Information Age” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”New Age Crime” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”Commercial Computer Warfare” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”Transportation in the 21st Century” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”The Future of Society and Technology” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”The Emergence of Telemedicine” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”Industrial Spies Invade U.S. High-Tech Firms” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”Rebuilding the Government with Computers” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”Is This Really Information Age?” (*Computer Edge*)
- ”Litigation Plagues the Software Industry and Hampers Users” (*Computer Economics*)
- ”In Search of the Information Highway” (*American Business Network*)
- ”Will the Internet Become an Orwellian Nightmare or a Healthy Revolt?” (*InfoWorld*)
- ”Migrating to the Internet” (*Internet Systems*)
- ”Sometimes Suites go Sour, but Users Like the Ingredients” (*Computer World*)
- ”10 Trends That Will Impact The Internet Over The Next 5 Years” (*IS Management*)

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