



Ronald J. Fields  
Primetime Emmy Award Winning  
Writer/Producer, NYT Best Selling Author  
and Grandson of W.C. Fields

## RONALD J. FIELDS BIOGRAPHY

A critically acclaimed writer, playwright and bestselling author as well as a primetime television writer for NBC and Paramount Studios, **Ronald J. Fields** carries an impressive list of career successes in his own right. His many accomplishments include a national Primetime Emmy for Best Documentary called *W.C. Fields Straight Up*; co-produced by Ronald J. Fields, PBS and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Ronald has written a number of books on the entertainment industry including W.C. Fields: By Himself, which was on the NY Times Bestseller List for 10 weeks.

Ronald remains a member in good standing of the Dramatist Guild, the Literary Guild and the Writers' Guild of America (WGA). His writing credits include two Off-Broadway plays; staff writer for *Marblehead Manor* (an *NBC* Primetime Sitcom); Head Writer for American Movie Classics; comic strip writer for the Los Angeles Times syndicate; author of numerous articles in national and international publications; he has been published in over 12 books besides his own three tomes (one produced for St. Martin's Press and two churned out by Prentice-Hall); and he wrote the libretto for an Equity Workshop tested musical based on the life of his grandfather, W.C. Fields, called *AN HONEST MAN*.

Furthermore, he wrote, co-wrote, "script doctored" and/or Executive Produced seven films. He has made over 300 television and radio appearances including *Late Night with David Letterman*, *The Tonight Show*, *The Today Show*, *CBS Morning News*, *A&E Biography* and the American Movie Channel.

Ronald has guest lectured at over 250 Colleges, Universities and institutions including the Smithsonian, the Library of Congress and The Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences. He taught at the University of California Santa Cruz as a "Pool" professor in the English Department with a course entitled "The Structure of Entertainment Writing."

**2007-2009:** Ronald re-wrote or "script doctored" five motion pictures and was asked to "doctor" a first time script by Dennis Quaid, called Shame on You, that was slated to star him and Johnny Depp. During this time Ronald added the final touches on a "sizzle reel" for a reality based television series he co-created called *The Negotiating Edge* to be pitched by an industry respected "Show Runner."

**2011-Present:** During this time, Ronald finished work on a script titled *V. OLYMPIAD* chronicling the incredible and first integrated Olympic team in United States history.

Ronald has become Co-Creator, Co-Executive Producer, and writer for a children's television puppet show named "*The Wizard of Inspiria*" that features a W.C. Fields puppet as the central character. DIC has shown considerable interest in distributing the show.

Ronald is founder and President of his own production company, Vision Producers, which is presently working on a major film slate that includes some of Ronald's own scripts, his TV show concepts, some of his reality based shows and situation comedies.

February 2017 Rowman & Littlefield Publishing Group/ reissued Ronald's first book on his grandfather, W.C. Fields, titled W.C. FIELDS BY HIMSELF with a forward by Conan O'Brien.

Mr. Fields is available for book signings, personal appearances, film festivals and more.

He also presents a program called "AN EVENING WITH W.C. FIELDS" which features a slideshow biography of W.C. Fields and more.

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