

About The Author

Alan Mark Train is the author of *The Psychedelic Slacker*, a coming-of-age novel, as well as of *Strawberry Fairchild And The Green Flame*, an illustrated color mermaid fable for adults. A murder mystery from the perspective of a technical support engineer is in progress. His prose, fiction and poetry have appeared in literary magazines (*The Underground Rag Mag*, *Slick Press*) and in the *Santa Cruz Good Times* entertainment weekly where he was one of the winners of a short story contest. His writings have appeared online on *Associated Content*, *iBuzzle* and *Constant Content*.

Train has an English B.A. from the University of Minnesota and was an ace feature writer on his high school newspaper in the Upper Midwest, where he grew up just a little too late for the Sixties and then couldn't get over them. His daytime career as a software-oriented technical writer leverages experience gained during some years spent as a computer programmer. He can be reached via email at alan@mindrunner.org.

Interests and Hobbies

Reading, studying, memorizing and, occasionally, reciting literature running the gamut from Chaucer and Shakespeare to Ian Fleming and Graham Greene, to James Joyce and Thomas Pynchon.

Habitat

The author lives in Santa Cruz by the ocean with the marine layer, the fog, the seabirds, the seals and the redwoods.



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