# **Scott Spanbauer**

# Writer and Editor Contributing Editor, *PC World*

I am an award-winning freelance author of news feature, product review, how-to and feature articles and columns for business- and consumer-oriented magazines. My byline has appeared more than 400 times since 1986. I continue to perform technical and developmental editing for *PC World* and other clients. I wrote *PC World's* monthly Bugs and Fixes column from 1994 until January 2000, then switched to the Internet Tips column. I have also written for *Business 2.0, CIO, Forbes ASAP*, and *Fortune Small Business*, and was a technical reviewer for Jim Aspinwall's *PC Hacks* (O'Reilly, 2005).

August 1997 – September 1998: Senior Associate Editor, *PC World* Telecommuting from Boulder to *PC World*'s San Francisco offices, I planned, assigned and edited feature stories and columns, and wrote the Bugs and Fixes column.

### March 1990 - August 1997: Freelance Writer and Editor

I wrote news, reviews, how-tos, and feature articles for consumer-oriented computer magazines, and wrote, contributed to, or edited numerous books.

My primary clients were *PC World*, and *New Media*. I also wrote for c|net, *Macworld*, *Publish!*, *Wired*, *CONNECT*, and *The Shambhala Sun*. I wrote chapters for the award-winning *PC Bible*, *2nd Edition* (Peachpit Press, 1995) and contributed to *That's Edutainment*, *A Parent's Guide to Educational Software* (Osborne/McGraw-Hill, 1995). My book *The No B.S. Guide to Windows 95* (No Starch Press, 1996), received positive reviews in the N.Y. Times, L.A. Times, and USA Today.

As a freelance editor, I assigned and edited columns, feature stories, and reviews for *PC World, CONNECT*, and *Nextworld* magazines. I also served as developmental editor for the following Osborne/McGraw-Hill books: *C++ Programming for Windows* (1993); *Hot Links* (1993); *Total Recall* (1993); *Sound Blaster, The Official Book* (1993); *Making Microsoft Office Work* (1995); Oracle Backup and Recovery Handbook (1995), and as technical editor for *Microsoft Word 95 Made Easy* (1995).

June 1989 - March 1990: Managing Editor, *CONNECT* Magazine Working on a contract basis, I planned, assigned, and edited three issues of 3Com's 80-page computer-networking quarterly, and wrote each issue's news section.

## October 1987 - June 1989: Assistant Editor, PC World

I assigned, edited, and wrote product-review and how-to articles.

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## **Education**

## **University of Colorado, Boulder**

Bachelor of Arts, Spanish Language and Literature, Psychology Graduated with distinction Phi Beta Kappa Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish honor society) Psi Chi (Psychology honor society)

# **Editorial Awards**

#### 2006

ASBPE West Regional Awards: Gold Medal, How-To Article

#### 2005

ASBPE West Regional Awards: Gold Medal, Feature Series Gold Medal, Technical Article

#### 2001

ASBPE National Awards: Gold Medal, News Section Silver Medal, How-To Article

#### 2000

ASBPE National Awards: Gold Medals, Single News Article and News Section Silver Medal, Technical Article

#### 1999

ASBPE National Awards: Silver Medal, How-To Article

#### 1998

Jesse H. Neal Editorial Achievement Award

ASBPE West Regional Awards: First Place, Feature Series and News Section Second Place, Single News Article Third Place, Regular Department

#### 1996

Jesse H. Neal Editorial Achievement Award

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