

# Randy Cassingham

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"Cassingham was hilarious as he rifled through example after example of stupidity, of which there is no shortage." —Michael Shermer, Founder of the Skeptics Society (and its conferences)

"If there's anything people don't want to be, or even appear to be, it's 'stupid'.

Here's how to escape that...." —Randy Cassingham

Randy chronicles outrageous examples of people doing some of the dumbest things imaginable to serve his mission: to encourage more thinking in the world. He bills his online feature *This is True* as "Thought-Provoking Entertainment" — and he has a rare ability to get people to think while, at the same time, entertaining them.

Whether your need for a speaker is pure entertainment, to inspire entrepreneurs, or to prompt your employees to be more *thoughtful* as they do their jobs, Randy is a great choice. Comfortable with small groups or huge audiences, he'll have them both laughing *and* saying "Wait a minute...."



"Mr. Cassingham's presentations on the ridiculous things that people do are legendary. I enlisted him to speak at several Mensa gatherings, including the 2012 'Annual Gathering' (national convention). His talks never failed to fill a room and produce rave reviews. The after presentation discussions were as big a hit as the talks."—**Ken Wright**, Chairman, Mensa Reno 2012 AG

"Randy Cassingham has consistently entertained and educated our audiences at our annual conference attendees after dinner: he provided the right energy, humor, and provocation to set the tone for the rest of the evening." —**Michael Shermer**, Founder of the Skeptics Society (and its annual conferences)

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#### Who Is Randy Cassingham?

Randy is one of the first people to make a living on the Internet, getting started in early 1994 — and is still going strong today. His "Thought-Provoking Entertainment" feature *This is True* is the oldest entertainment publication online. He is the author of more than 40 books.

Randy has talked to audiences which include Pulitzer and Emmy Award winners, MacArthur "Genius Grant" Fellows, Science Fiction Grand Masters, Mensa members, attorneys, lawyers, economists, students, and other interested people on a wide variety of topics — and then got asked back to speak to them again.

He has addressed audiences numbering in the hundreds in person, hundreds of thousands in two documentaries and countless live radio shows, and in the millions on live television.

He also writes, voices, and produces a weekly podcast, "Uncommon Sense".

#### Sample Media Attention

- "How did he get so popular so fast? Well, for one thing, he writes funny stuff." —New York Times
- "The kind of news items that keep comedians and commentators in business."
   —Washington Post
- "Randy Cassingham is a humorist for the Information Age, an Internet-savvy satirist and social commentator. The Jay Leno of Cyberspace." —Los Angeles Times
- "And now for something completely different." —CNN Morning News
- "Randy Cassingham has a passion for the truth. And you'll never believe the stuff he's dug up.... Truly stranger than fiction." —USA Today
- "Cassingham has made it his mission in life to bring unusual stories to the attention of a Net-using audience." —London Telegraph
- and many, many more....



#### Sample Past Speaking Engagements

- NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (twice)
- Los Angeles Science Fiction and Fantasy Society
- Skeptics Society Annual Conference (three times)
- The Boulder Economics Institute
- The Rocky Mountain Conference on Art and Technology
- Colorado Defense Lawyers Association
- Colorado Authors' League Seminar
- University of Colorado's Alliance for Technology, Learning, and Society
- Boulder (Colorado) Press Club
- Three Mensa Annual Gatherings (national convention)
- Affiliate Summit West
- Ignite Montrose (three times)
- and many more....

### Randy Currently Speaks About

- Why thinking is so important (perfect for businesses striving for employee improvement), including how to learn to think — which U.S. schools rarely teach.
- The things "obliviots" do (crazy true examples of not thinking from *This is True*, perfect for entertainment needs). Can be themed, such as "The 7+1 Deadly Sins".
- How the Internet empowers entrepreneurs.