

Mark Gantt

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Writer/Director

As one of the pioneers of the digital era, Mark is best known for co-creating, producing, and starring in the groundbreaking, Streamy award-winning series, *The Bannen Way* for Crackle and Sony Television. Within the first ten weeks of release, *The Bannen Way* garnered over 14 million views. It went on to win 4 Streamy Awards, including Best Drama, Best Director and Best Editor, and Mark for best actor, as well as nominated for two Webby Awards and a BANFF Award.

With a diverse, 20-year career in the industry, he has learned the business from the ground up and had the good fortune of collaborating with top directors, including Steven Soderbergh, David O. Russell, Sam Raimi, and Robert Rodriguez. As versatile as he is ambitious, Mark has demonstrated a penchant for the entire creative process, using forays into writing, acting, and producing to inform his directorial philosophies.

Mark's feature directorial debut, *Murder In Mexico*, was based on the actual events of Bruce Beresford-Redman and premiered on Lifetime. He's recently directed two thrillers, *Model Citizen* that premiered on Lifetime and *The Surrogate*, currently in post-production. Mark also directed and produced the pilot, *Intricate Vengeance*, for Ron Howard and Brian Grazer's New Form Digital. He's directed commercials and promos for Fox, Capital One, ESPN, Nissan, and GMC.

Mark recently co-executive produced and wrote two Audible Original true-crime audiobooks premiering this summer. He's also produced three features with his wife, Brianne Davis, through their Give + Take Production company, *The Night Visitor*, *The Night Visitor 2*, and *Psychophonia*. Mark and Brianne are currently developing and pitching three TV series together. They live in Los Angeles with their son Davis and dog Bear.

Writer/Director/Producer

Writer/Co-Executive Producer, CONTRA COSTA Wrote and produced Audible Original True Crime audiobook.	Feb 2020 - Apr 2020
Co-Writer, HER DEADLY BOYFRIEND Co-wrote feature film with Evan Unruh for <i>The Cartel</i>	Nov 2019 - Mar 2020
Director, THE SURROGATE Directed feature film starring Brianne Davis, Carrie Wampler, Carl Beukes	Nov 2019 - Present
Writer/Co-Executive Producer, INJUSTICE COLLECTOR Wrote and produced Audible Original True Crime audiobook	Sept 2019 - Dec 2019
Director, MODEL CITIZEN Directed feature film starring Cassie Howarth and Shawn Pyfrom	Dec 2018 - May 2019
Director, WHAT JUST HAPPENED WITH FRED SAVAGE Directed twelve promos for FOX's <i>What Just Happened with Fred Savage</i> .	May 2019

Director, ESPN and NISSAN'S HEISMAN HOUSE **June 2018 - July 2018**
 Directed eight commercial spots for TBWA Chiat Day agency with Fuzzbuster Films.

Director CAPITAL ONE **December 2017**
 Directed three long form docu-style commercials with INE Entertainment

Director, ESPN and NISSAN'S HEISMAN HOUSE **June 2017 - July 2017**
 Directed seven commercial spots for TBWA Chiat Day agency with Fuzzbuster Films.

Director, GMC: SEAMLESSLY SHE WITH MONICA POTTER **June 2016 - July 2106**
 Directed branded series for INE Entertainment, GMC and AOL.

Director, ESPN and NISSAN'S HEISMAN HOUSE **June 2016 - July 2016**
 Directed four commercial spots for TBWA Chiat Day agency with Fuzzbuster Films.

Director/Producer, INTRICATE VENGEANCE **January 2016 - Present**
 Directed/Produced short film/pilot for Ron Howard and Brian Grazer's New Form Digital.

Director, MURDER IN MEXICO **Mar 2015 - Aug 2015**
 Directed feature film, produced by Indy Entertainment, based on the true story of Bruce Beresford -Redman. Premiered on Lifetime.

Producer, PSYCHOPHONIA **Dec 2014 - Present**
 Produced feature film directed by Brianne Davis in association with Blanc-Biehn Productions and Nicholls Fellowship winning writer Barbara Stepansky.

Writer/Producer, THE NIGHT VISITOR 2 **April 2014 - April 2015**
 Co-wrote/produced feature film directed by Brianne Davis in association with Blanc-Biehn Productions. Distributed by Anchor Bay and Starz for Fall of 2016.

Producer, THE PROGRAM **July 2013 - Dec 2013**
 Produced supernatural short film/pilot presentation, starring opposite Robert Forster and directed by Dylan Mulick.

Producer, THE NIGHT VISITOR **Feb 2013 - Feb 2014**
 Produced feature film directed by Jennifer Blanc-Biehn in association with Blanc-Biehn Productions. Distributed by Anchor Bay and Starz in Fall of 2016.

Director/Producer, DONOR **June 2012 - Oct 2012**
 Directed and Produced short film. Currently being distributed by Snag Films

Producer, ANNIE TAKES OFF **Jan 2012 - Present**
 Produced short film/pilot presentation to pitch as series. Currently teamed up with Trium Productions and Youtube talent iJustine.

Director/Producer, GOOD IN BED **May 2010 - Aug 2010**
 Directed and produced branded series for Lifetime/Better Sleep Council.

Director/Producer, COMPANY **May 2010 - Aug 2010**
 Directed and produced branded series for Lifetime/Better Sleep Council.

Co-Creator/Writer/Producer, THE BANNEN WAY **April 2007 - Jan 2010**
 Co-created and starred in a feature film/web series for Sony's Crackle.com. Winner of 4 Streamy Awards, 12 million views in the first 6 weeks and worldwide DVD distribution.

Director/Writer/Producer, MARTINE **June 2003 - Dec 2003**
 Adapted from J.D. Salinger's short story *Pretty Mouth and Green My Eyes*

Acting**Professional actor in Film, TV, Commercials and Digital Jan 2000 - Present**

Credits include; the lead in Crackle's *The Bannen Way*, recurring roles on *The Arrangement* and *Bluff*, as well as roles on *Criminal Minds*, *American Horror Story*, *Major Crimes*, *Dexter*, *Alias*, *Ocean's 11*, *Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle*, *The Shield*, and *Without A Trace*.

Education**AFI Directors Workshop
The Beverly Hills Playhouse****April 2003
1999 - 2012****Related Skills****Acting Teacher - Beverly Hills Playhouse
Photography - www.ganttphotography.com
Art Director/Prop Master - Features, TV, Commercials
Graphic Designer****April 2013 - April 2018
1992 - Present
Feb 1992 - 2014
2000 - 2013****Awards/Nominations**

DONOR Winner Best Director, Short Film - *FirstGlance Philadelphia Film Fest 2012*, Winner Best of the Fest - *Indie Cinema Series Festival 2012*, Official Selection - *Beverly Hills Shorts Festival 2012*, Official Selection - *Unofficial Google+ Film Festival 2012*, Winner Best Actress:Alexis Boozer - *Unofficial Google+ Film Festival 2012*

SUITE 7 Winner - *Webby Awards 2012 Shannen Doherty:Best Performance*, Nominated Best Drama Series - *BANFF Rockies Award 2012*

THE BANNEN WAY Winner Best Actor in Drama, Winner Best Drama, Winner Best Editing
Nominated: Best Writing, Best New Web Series, Best Branded Series - *Streamy Awards 2010*,
Nominated: Best Drama Series, Best Editing, Best Actress:Vanessa Marcil - *Webby Awards*

MARTINE Winner - Best Horror/Suspense Short Film - *New Orleans Media Festival 2004*,
Official Selection - *Newport Beach Film Festival 2004*, Official Selection - *New York Short Film Festival 2004*, Official Selection - *LA International Short Film Festival 2004*

Selected Press

[Variety Review - Murder In Mexico](#)

[Red Carpet Review - Murder In Mexico](#)

[Vocal Media - Model Citizen \(A Deadly Price For Her Pretty Face\)](#)

[Adweek - Sony/Crackle Renewing Mark's award-winning, series The Bannen Way](#)

[Variety - Streamy Nominations 'Bannen Way'](#)

[New York Times Review - Good In Bed](#)