Alumni Network:
Michael Singer “92”

Area of focus.
Acting/Directing concentration.

Describe your career, especially what you are doing now.
Currently, I’m a senior editor for Internet Evolution, a computer technology Web site that explores the future of the Internet. I have been reporting about the Internet and technology since January, 2000. Prior to that, I was a TV reporter with CTV-30 (a local cable program in the Livermore-Pleasanton valley) for three years.

How has your Cal State experience helped you career-wise?
Acting at Cal State helped me find myself. Primarily, Cal State’s Theatre Department taught me to improvise and boil down scenes (moments, bits, beats, messages) to their bare minimum: What is being said? How will you say it? What kind of reaction do you wish to invoke? It’s like the Swiss Army knife of life.

If friends or family are important to your life’s story, say so here.
Family and friends are of course my lifeline to reality. Without my wife and children, I would have no inspiration or motivation for expanding my talents. Without friends, I would have no critics or competition to gage my work by. All of my success can be directly attributed to the support that I’ve gotten from those closest to me.

Tell us your best advice for students.
If you don’t have a long-term strategy, have a backup plan. Investigate all the things that interest you and see how it can apply to your training. You’d be surprised how much of a base for your talents Theatre can be.

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