



Biography
Mark Simpson
Assistant News Director and *Intersection* host for 90.7
WMFE-FM

Mark Simpson is WMFE's Assistant News Director. He hosts and produces WMFE's weekly news program *Intersection*.

Before joining the WMFE news team, Simpson worked his way up the ranks to assistant news director at member station WFSU in Tallahassee. While in Tallahassee he served as a political reporter, *All Things Considered* host, and host/producer of the call-in show *Perspectives*.

A native Rhode Islander, Simpson grew up in the City by the Sea, Newport, where he studied the saxophone and played gigs around the region. He then headed south to Florida State University to study music ... but somehow ended up with a BA in History instead.

After a brief stint teaching music, Simpson escaped to graduate studies at Emerson College in Boston where he earned a Masters in Broadcast Journalism.

Simpson got his start in broadcasting at WERS 88.9FM. He was a news anchor, show host for the *Jazz Oasis*, and the director of jazz programming. Simpson also worked as an associate producer at WMUR TV in Manchester NH, before scrambling back to the sun in Tallytown to work for Public Radio.

In Florida he's covered Presidential candidates, pythons in the Everglades and hurricanes galore. His reporting and hosting has earned a number of national and regional awards.