

Bio Sheet

Jerry Fabyanic, author of *Sisyphus Wins*

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Full Bio:

Standing atop a snowfield at 12,000 feet in 1975, Jerry Fabyanic scanned the expanse and said, "Holy, shit! This is it." He quit his job, packed his truck, and headed west without looking in the rearview mirror. Deciding that the only thing he ever wanted to be was a teacher, Jerry began his literal journey into world of public education and into the symbolic world of myth and story. He counts Herman Melville, John Steinbeck, and Joseph Campbell among his most influential thinkers and greatest heroes.

Over the years, his love affair with the Colorado Rocky Mountains has grown deeper. Jerry has learned the importance of paying attention to guideposts, junctures that at first seem coincidental but prove to be path-altering experiences. Whether running at 8,500 feet, skiing moguls at Mary Jane at Winter Park, or reaching for an outcropping at 13,000 feet, Jerry reminds himself of his place and role as a denizen of Mother Earth.

Jerry Fabyanic is a retired teacher of English and social studies living in the historical mining town of Georgetown in Clear Creek County, Colorado. He has been the featured columnist of the Clear Creek Courant since 2003 and a radio host on KYGT since 2004. He has run six marathons, has climbed thirty-four of Colorado's 14'ers, and still loves carving the bumps through the powder and timber of Mary Jane's Eagle Wind territory.

You can read more about Jerry and his works at www.jerryfabyanic.com and listen to "The Rabbit Hole" at www.kygt.org.

Short bio:

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Medium-length bio:

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Targeted Audience:

More sophisticated reader, well-read who prefers complex literature that provokes rather than entertains.

Demographics:

Ages – older high school, college, and beyond.

Groups – LGBT; open and progressive minded readers; professionals: clergy, therapists, counselors; those that have endured trauma during their growing years and dealing with the aftermath of it, especially if related to gender orientation and an imposing dogmatic religious experience that repressed or stifled his/her potential.