

Murray Siegel

What People Are Saying About Murray Siegel

I have had the extreme pleasure of working very closely with Murray Siegel on numerous occasions....someone who has not only been intimately involved in the production of virtually every program that has brought the arts into our homes, but has also seen and experienced first hand how beneficial and influential the arts can be with their ability to shape and influence human behavior.

- *Kenny G.*

You create moments, memories, and accomplishments that change lives. I can think of no nobler purpose.

- *Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook, Superintendent-President College of the Canyons*

Wow! That was easy to decide one of the best submissions to (the poetry publication) *Last Words* thus far...gritty, tactile, true.

- *Richard Weekley, Publisher, Last Words*

I really appreciate your professionalism, cooperation and team effort to make (ABC's *Countdown to the Emmys*) a success.

- *Roger Goodman, Vice President Special Projects, ABC Television Network*

He is quiet; but not without enthusiasm; steadfast, but not rigid; professional, though not lacking in emotion.

I have watched his work and am inspired by his professionalism.

I have read his writing and am moved by its power and beauty.

- *Gary Smith, Producer, The Tony Awards, Presidential Inaugurations*

Seriously, I do want to thank you for being so supportive and kind, tactful and gentle under really difficult circumstances for all of us...I do hope our paths cross again in the near future.

- *Julie Andrews*

I don't know how to thank you for your help with the message. It was wonderful! The fact that you were able to put such a powerful message in simple words is unbelievable.

- *Ken Boyea People's Progressive Movement Party Leader St. Vincent and the Grenadines*

...saw the ad in *Variety* and it was brilliant...it was the most effective piece of the campaign.

- *Arthur Cohn Three-time Academy Award-winning Producer*

I wanted to drop you a note and let you know the spot "Commitment" you wrote (for the Cancer Treatment Centers of America) went over VERY well last night at the group. It tested very high...possibly in the top 5. Great work and thank you for your contribution to this project.

- *Joe Richards, Project Manager, Cancer Treatment Centers of America Marketing Evaluation, The Word Doctors*

You are amazing. It is easy for me to produce a show when you are on the team. Your skills and talent cover every detail; nothing falls through the cracks.

I don't have to tell you, Murray, how much I value your creative input. You made this year's *Daytime Emmys* very special.

- *Al Schwartz, Producer*

I appreciate your sharing so much of your political expertise with us in order to strengthen not only our campaign effort, but help put positive programs into place after the election.

- *Bob Kellar, Santa Clarita City Councilmember*

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Under Murray's leadership and vision, the (Santa Clarita Film) Bureau was successful not only on making Santa Clarita a film friendly destination, but in promoting our community to the film industry....the Bureau's efforts resulted in millions of dollars flowing into the local economy...

- *Ed Masterson, President/CEO Santa Clarita Valley Chamber of Commerce*

Your participation as a volunteer media assistant...was instrumental in making the (Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Health Foundation) Golf Classic the most successful tournament in the Santa Clarita Valley.

- *Diana Vose, Executive Director, Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital Health Foundation*

I wanted to take the time to drop you a note, with a word of thanks, for the outstanding job you did on the *National Memorial Day Concert*. It was the biggest line up of talent we've ever had, and the show would not have run as smooth as it did without your help.

- *Michael Colbert, Producer, The National Memorial Day Concert*

This is by far the best, most concise, most actionable information I have received on my speaking. Thank you.

- *David Gaudy – candidate for Santa Clarita City Council*

The new video is more than we could have hoped for. It's hard to believe that you were able to create something so moving and powerful...AGAIN! For the second time in a row, you have truly captured the essence of Carousel Ranch in ways that I don't believe anyone else could. Your passion for what we do comes through in every aspect.

- *Denise Tomey, Executive Director, Carousel Ranch Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program*

I am thrilled we work together...because you really do make my job very easy....I am so impressed with your work ethics and your ability to get the job done, while making it seem effortless.

- *Susan Green, Production Stage Manager, Titanic, Broadway Production*

You had a huge role in many, many places (in the growth of my career). In fact, you started it all back in 1988. I wouldn't be doing what I'm doing today if I hadn't done that project with you back then.

- *Dr. Frank Luntz, Luntz Global, Message Creation and Image Management*

Thank you for your wonderful contribution to the *Decade of Difference* concert...Our celebration in Los Angeles was an unforgettable experience, and I appreciate all you did to make it a success.

- *Bill Clinton*

This is brilliant news Murray. Congratulations! I'm excited and very happy about this success for you. I see the genius in you.

- *V. Mark Hall, Mark Hall Management*

I am grateful to have someone with such professionalism...and someone I know I can count on, in whatever situation comes along. It's also nice to know the people on your team have your back. You are a gentlemen and a pleasure (and) I love having your sweet, calm demeanor around.

- *Debbie Williams, Lead Stage Manager, American Idol*

You know, Murray, it's been more than a dozen years but I still remember the speeches you wrote for our clients. The best I've EVER seen, EVER. And that's saying a lot since both Obama and Reagan had very good speeches.

- *Jennifer Laszlo, political consultant, Laszlo Strategies*

Your work was instrumental in the growth and success of ... The Santa Clarita Valley Film Bureau....you helped lead the charge to make Santa Clarita a film friendly area and promote that to the film industry.. We gratefully acknowledge the major role you played.

- *Ken Pulskamp, City Manager, City of Santa Clarita*

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Your unique abilities, coupled with your superb attitude and impeccable professionalism, enabled us to provide critical communications for the President, the White House, and the United States Secret Service.

- *White House Communications Agency*

I thought you should know that the feedback I heard from the engineering team and from corporate marketing senior management (the 'owners' of the show) couldn't...be better. (The) team was absolutely gushing about their session and Stefanie Pearce told me she thought the...session was "absolutely terrific." Things went as well as they did because of your leadership and professionalism. My sincere thanks for a job well done.

- *Jim Hasl, Seismic Marketing*

You are a remarkable human being with a heart of gold...I would love to develop some projects with you with regard to disability and other opportunities...

- *Steven James Tingus, Former Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (Disability, Aging, & Long-Term Care Policy) at U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Director, National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research at U.S. Department of Education*

Thanks for all you did to make the (Non-Profit Leadership Council) meeting a success. Your speech was a good call to action, and I was pleased and grateful....

- *Laura Piening, Executive Director, Santa Clarita Non-Profit Leadership Council*

Denny and I absolutely could not have done this job without you. We were so lucky to have you available and glad that this all worked out.

- *Beth Norber, Senior Event Producer, Production Elements, Inc.*

I have had the pleasure to work with Murray Siegel on a variety of initiatives, events, programs, and projects...His professionalism and dedication to his community and to the arts and cultural life in Santa Clarita is truly remarkable and appreciated.

His vision and partnership skills paved the way for the (Arts) Bureau to become on the most respected in the State...As a founding member of the Arts Alliance...he quickly established himself as a voice of reason and was able to play a vital role in navigating the sometimes challenging task of bringing together various arts organizations.

It has been an honor to work with Murray and his commitment to making Santa Clarita a better place continues to inspire me.

It is really great having you on the committee. I've missed your sage advice and positive outlook!

- *Phil Lantis, Arts & Events Administrator, City of Santa Clarita*

It was great to have a true professional in the room trying to calm the madness

- *Pat Ibbottson, Event Strategy Group*

This show....would not happen without your dedication, patience, and incredible organization. You are a joy to work with...

- *Valoree Papsidera, Talent Producer, Dancing With the Stars*

I am so proud to have known you all this time. And I am so darn proud of what a pro you are. No surprise to anyone, but you set the bar pal. Always have.

- *Danny Harris, producer Penn and Teller Fool Us*

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Thank you for always being there to make our gigs run on schedule!

PBS was quite the night to remember!

Your mastery of the Dolby and all the many things that you do are so appreciated! We simply couldn't do much of what we do without your talents. THANK YOU!

And Oaktree! Yet another great event for our Oaktree family. Thank you again for guiding the way.

- *Michael Gapinski, President, Iconic Event Studios*

On behalf of the White House Historical Association, I want to express our gratitude....

Since our founding in 1961 at the encouragement of Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy, we have served as the private partner to the White House in the preservation of the state and public rooms, funding acquisitions for the White House permanent collection, and developing education opportunities for people to learn more about the Executive Mansion.

Your ongoing support helps us to share the legacy of the White House for all generations.

- *Stewart D. McLaurin, President, White House Historical Association*

I just had to tell what a pleasure it was to be alongside you last week. Your attention to detail and professionalism were not only recognized but incredibly appreciated. Here's to many more shows together, my friend.

- *Todd Newton, Host, Miss USA 2015*

A big sincere thank you for your support on stage! Your positivity, calm demeanor and attention to detail made my job so much easier!!

- *Alex Wehrley, Host Miss USA 2015*

It was such a pleasure to work with you and Alexis... true professionals. I do appreciate your calmness, flexibility and teamwork with the last minute "on the fly" things we had to manage yesterday. You made my job that much easier.

The CEO, Herb, said he was "over the moon" with how the night went and couldn't be happier.

You are a true class act. Amazing to work with, awesome attitude and true professional.

- *Ashley Asbury, Producer, Shadow Productions, Los Angeles Mission 2015 Gala*

Thank you again for a spectacular job. I can't thank you enough for making the show run seamlessly. You are really good at what you do and thank you so much for working with us...

- *Spencer Howard, Producer, Signature Events*

Murray THANK YOU so very much for managing the show for us again this year.

You are such a pro and a delight to work with. Your contributions to our event are valuable and the level of trust I have in you is priceless.

- *Sasha Itzikman, Producer, Goodwill Gala for Heroes 2015*

I want to thank you again for bailing me out last night. There are very few stage managers that can walk in on show day and deliver the level of quality work and professionalism that you have achieved....You are as good as anyone that I work with and I have the highest respect.

- *Peter Margolis, Lead Stage Manager Parker Immunotherapy Cancer Institute Launch Gala*

You are so sweet! I love working with you too! Any job is lucky to have you! You are always 10 steps ahead of everyone else, your knowledge is endless, and your kindness is unparalleled!

- *Danielle Towne, Choreographer, House of Magic, Studio City Hotel, Macau*

It was fabulous meeting you and thank you for all you did to bring everyone's vision to words!

- *Jessica Szramowski, Development Officer, Events and Partnerships, Operation Smile*

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It was a pleasure to work with you last night. Thank you for all the last minute changes and fantastic script.
Victoria Recaño

- *Host, Extraordinary Families 2nd Annual Gala*

You did an awesome job for Extraordinary Families. I was very impressed and the client really liked and trusted you. What more could I want!

- *Marsha Grant, Grant Associates*

Your calm and positive vibes after 17-hour days truly translates to your team...

- *Alexis Stathis*

Thank you for your guidance, wisdom and calm energy throughout the past week. I hope one day I can remain as calm and focused during a big, chaotic load-in as you did. You made it all happen, regardless of the obstacles we faced, and kept our team together....

- *Carly Schwartz*

Murray... what would we have done without you!!!!??? Thank you so much for not only looking out for us, but helping us maintain our sanity over the weekend! Without you it would have been a bumpy, BUMPY road for us, and we could not be more thankful! Thanks again Murray, you are the absolute best!!!

- *Sara Trujillo, Production Manager, Disney Parks Live Entertainment*

Murray!! Thank you for everything you did for us!! I can't even begin to thank you for your patience and care for my performers. You are truly AMAZING!! It was wonderful and we all miss you already!

- *Megan Miller, Producer, Disney Parks Live Entertainment*

Thanks so much for your kind words! Last year's script was so good. We heard from so many people how wonderful the remarks were, all across the board.

- *Barnaby Murff, Director of Philanthropy & Community Relations, Extraordinary Families*

... you are truly one of the few people in the business who make a true, tangible difference.

- *Kent Gordis, Kent Gordis Productions*

It was a joy having you on the team! I knew nothing would fall through the cracks! I look forward to the next opportunity we get!

- *Jen Paschall, Google Accelerate 2019*

And Murray - welcome to the team...it was a delight to work with you.

- *Shalyn Walsh, Executive Producer, Kindle Communications, Astrellas National Sales Forum 2019*

I want to thank you for your kind words and professionalism every day on the set...you always stepped up with great team spirit and are an example of the best the DGA has to offer.

- *Jim Tanker, Director, Big Brother, Academy Awards Nomination Announcements, Academy Awards Scientific & Technical Awards, 2004 Republican National Committee Convention, Creative Arts Emmy Awards, CBS Upfronts*

I can't begin to tell you how awesome you are. Cool, calm and collected all the time. Nothing is ever out of reach and you are a total pro. I wish I worked with you every day.

Thanks for your hard work and for being my eyes and ears on the stage when I wasn't out there.

- *Vincent Arbogast, Vice President, Network Show Directors Fox News Channel*

I'm thinking USSS (United States Secret Service) ought to give us a special award for valor in the face of adversity. You are the finest Yoda ever. Can't wait for the next time.

- *Rory Davies, Producer, Commission on Presidential Debates*

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Just wanted to send a note to thank you all for your support this week. We had a lot of last-minute changes and you managed to tackle every last one with ease and grace.

- *Maeve O'Connor, Producer, AbbVie National Sales Meeting 2021*

Thanks so much for pitching in and saving the day on this one. We appreciate your flexibility and all your show day efforts.

- *Julia Mitchell, Executive Producer, Land Rover Leadership Summit 2021*

...thank you very much for all the fine work you did, with a lot of good vibes.

- *Amir Ukrainitz, Director Miss Universe Pageant Israel 2021*

I am so thrilled to know you and appreciate every bit of you. Your depth of experience, humor and steady command of any situation is valued beyond words. So grateful you were able to be with us.

- *Jen Kraska, Talen Producer, Jack Morton Productions, McDonald's Worldwide Convention 2022*