

Michael Patrick Sullivan was born in New England in a town that that promptly burned to the ground shortly thereafter (Chelsea, MA). His parents quickly realized their mistake and not wanting to repeat it, raised him as an only child. As such, his imagination got quite the work-out.

A former resident of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (as a Navy brat, not as a terror suspect), he grew up mostly in the Chicagoland area before moving to Philadelphia, back to Chicago, to Orlando and finally to Los Angeles.

He's worked in warehouses and entertainment journalism. He's trimmed trees, been a roadie and co-produced a radio show in Central Florida. He was the editor of a comic book, worked in bookstores and an electronics clean room . He's driven more wheeled vehicles that he previously knew existed in the course of his employment.

His time as a competitive card player is behind him, as is some sum of money.

He's never been convicted of a crime, but does have a story about escaping handcuffs while in police custody. Criminal methods and techniques are a hobby of his, including lockpicking, and confidence scams, and basic technology and social exploits. Sometimes he manages to finagle police ride-alongs just for his own self-edification.

He once tricked someone into a three-day psychiatric hold, though was eventually thanked for doing so. As such, accurate representation of mental illness is important to him in his writing.

He enjoys playing experimental electric guitar and will continue to do so until fined by the Environmental Protection Agency. He digs Pink Floyd, Duran Duran and Nine Inch Nails.

From time to time, he volunteers at the Los Angeles Food Bank.

His writing for the stage has been performed in Santa Monica, Chicago and London. His short films have been featured at San Diego Comic-Con, Orlando Film Festival, Valley Film Festival, Ojai Film Festival, New Filmmakers LA, and in Doctor Who Magazine. He's won the Final Draft Big Break Pilot award, PAGE Int'l Gold Prize for TV Drama, Creative Screenwriting Expo TV Award, and some other stuff. He also has a book of pulpy short stories, [The Auslander Files](#).

Married into a Pakistani family and converted to Islam, he lives with his wife Saadia and their cats, Bunk and McNulty, in Los Angeles.