

About Don Lancaster

Microcomputer guru and pioneer Don Lancaster is the author of 35 technical books that include two million sellers. He has also published two videos, a CD ROM, a patent, and 1800+ technical articles.

Long a prolific author in the technical press, Don's current ezine columns include [Blatant Opportunist](#) and his [GuruGrams](#). He authored the immensely popular [Ask the Guru](#) series in Computer Shopper, the [Resource Bin](#) series in Nuts & Volts, and the [Hardware Hacker](#) and [Tech Musings](#) columns in Electronics Now. Although predominately an ezine publisher at present, Don makes [ongoing contributions](#) to such magazines as Circuit Cellar and Whole Earth Review.

Don is considered by some to be one of the fathers of the personal computer. For his outstanding early work in video display development. His [T.V. Typewriter](#) and other legendary early products are on permanent exhibition at the Boston Computer Museum.

Don has been called the patron saint of the Walter Mitties of the world for his unique ability to make complex technology simple and understandable.

His [TTL Cookbook](#), [CMOS Cookbook](#), and [Active Filter Cookbook](#) are industry classics. His [Incredible Secret Money Machine](#) is an alternate underground bible on small scale technical startups. Additional book info is [found here](#).

Don is the webmaster of his Guru's Lair at www.tinaja.com This well received site has consistently gotten accolades for outstandingly unique tech content.

Don has been an Apple developer and seeder, an Adobe developer, a Hewlett Packard developer, and a Western Design Center developer. Don has done consulting work for QMS, Motorola, and many major firms. He is recognized as a leading independent [PostScript](#) and [Acrobat](#) authority.

Don has a BSEE degree from Lafayette College in 1961, and a MSEE from Arizona State University in 1967. He has done postgraduate work at Carnegie Mellon and has additional formal training in fields as diverse as anthropology, photography, business law, technical illustration, and fire science. He has fifteen years of industrial electronic engineering experience. He has taught microcomputer fundamentals and desktop publishing at the community college level for 16 years.

Don owns and operates [Synergetics](#) and Synergetics Press, new age media, consulting, and publishing firms. His avocations include firefighting, spelunking, cycling, and [tinaja questing](#).

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