



Dave Hanon Biography

Dave Hanon has more than 25 years of direct experience in production management, including more than a decade working in the film industry at Compass Arts, Bearing Fruit Entertainment, Every Tribe Entertainment, and EthnoGraphic Media (EGM) Films. As EGM's Chief Operating Officer, Dave oversees the planning and execution of all production-related activities, a job that requires the effective management of all projects, people, systems, processes, budgets, and schedules.

Dave grew up in farming communities in North Dakota and Washington, and began his professional career as a technical specialist for The Robbins Company, a world leader in the engineering and manufacturing of underground excavating equipment. For more than two decades, Dave worked as a manufacturing manager and project manager in locations all over the U.S. and world, including Australia, Sweden, and the United Kingdom. While working in the UK, Dave supervised the construction and commissioning of the tunnel machines used for drilling 'The Chunnel' (Channel Tunnel), the tunnel beneath the English Channel that connects England and France.

After a 20-year career in manufacturing, Dave and his family relocated from Seattle, Washington to Grand Rapids, Michigan where he began working in film production with two of his brothers. Translating his two decades of experience in managing complex manufacturing challenges to the art of filmmaking, Dave joined Compass Arts, where he served as the production manager for numerous commercials and short films. In 2002, Dave joined Mart Green at Bearing Fruit Communications, located in Oklahoma City, where he served as the production manager for two award-winning films; the documentary *Beyond the Gates of Splendor*, and the feature film *End of the Spear*. In 2007, Dave became a part of EGM Films, where he supervised the production of the documentary films *Miss HIV*, *Little Town of Bethlehem*, and *The Grandfathers*. Although the majority of Dave's work happens behind-the-scenes, his passion for service, organization and efficiency shines through in each EGM project.