Biography: Mark Lemon

Mark Lemon was born in 1955 in Decatur, GA. A graduate of the University of Georgia, he is an author, artist, historian, a former United States Naval Officer, as well as a former NCIS Special Agent.

He is the author of two award winning books on the Alamo, in San Antonio, Texas. His first book was entitled "The Illustrated Alamo 1836: A Photographic Journey," and his second book, released in 2011, was called "13: The Alamo book of Days," a day-by-day account of the famous siege and battle.

He has been featured on two recent History Channel documentaries concerning that iconic Texas fortress: "What Went Down: The Alamo," and "America's Book of Secrets: The Monuments," which featured a segment on the Alamo.

And, in 2008, he constructed and then sold a giant scale model of that Texas fortress to Academy and Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter Phil Collins, himself an avid Texas history buff. And, most recently, in March of last year, he completed an epic-scale painting of the Alamo at sunrise, which is now hanging behind the front desk at the famous Emily Morgan Hotel, the Official "Hotel of the Alamo" in San Antonio.

His next writing project is scheduled to be a comprehensive history of the famed 18th Georgia Regiment, and will draw heavily on his direct ancestor, Capt. James Lemon's Civil War memoirs, as well as other first-hand accounts.

Mr. Lemon lives in Acworth, GA in the house built in 1856 by his ancestor, Captain Lemon.