

## **ALEX BOYLAN**

Alex Boylan quit working years ago. He walked out of his cubical in Boston with one thought in his mind: How can I never go back? He jumped on a plane for St. John, US Virgin Islands. For a year he became singularly focused on how to fund a life that injected his passion into business enterprise. Armed with a B.S. in International Business from Jacksonville University he would merge business and pleasure into a life strategy.

Alex knows travel. Being the son of a preacher, the family spent their summers with missionaries in Turkey, Greece, and France. During high school, he was an exchange student in Brazil, where he took a cold shower out of a bucket every morning before breakfast. In college, he took a semester off and interned for a software company in Germany. Those experiences would be the foundation for his path.

In 2003, Alex and his best friend from high school won *The Amazing Race Season 2*. That experience paved the way for him to become host for shows: *At the Chef's Table*, *Animal Attractions*, *What's Cooking with Alex*, and more, at Emmy Award winning production company Pineridge Film and Television. Being in front of the camera wasn't enough to fuel his passion. He learned getting behind the camera - getting into the conceptual fundamentals of television was where change happened.

He left Pineridge to begin producing *Dropping In*, a documentary series about surfers searching for the epic wave in parts of the world lost to time.

Before anyone understood the power of the Internet to deliver short-form, interactive content, Alex joined forces with Burton Roberts to launch Around the World Productions. What began as an experiment to see if one person could circumnavigate the globe with no money, fueled only by social media, propelled the creation of *Around the World For Free*. The success of their challenge propelled them to create, produce and host award winning projects like *Rach to the Rescue* for *The Rachael Ray Show*, *CBS Buzz Tour*, *Missions in Action*, and *Mapping the Globe* for Lonely Planet and Travel Channel.

Today he charts another course into multi-platform media with the venture DreamJobbing, that will give a new generation the chance to discover their DreamJob. With his best friends and colleagues Burton Roberts and Lisa Hennessy by his side, Alex is embarking on his biggest adventure to date.