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## **About Page:**

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John Michael Brinson was born in Jackson, Mississippi, the youngest child of his accountant father and schoolteacher mother. As a young boy, John was a continuous whirlwind. His wild imagination, unorthodox inventiveness, and offbeat sense of humor, combined with a natural ability for storytelling and a strong artistic talent, constantly surprised, entertained, and exasperated those around him.

John's insatiable desire to learn all he could about seemingly unrelated and unconventional topics led to his in-depth knowledge of a variety of subjects. Archeology, gemology, physics, anthropology, ancient mythologies, alien claims, military weaponry, and astronomy were not difficult for him to master, as long as his studies were done in his own time and in his own way.

An interest in creating videos, and in the technical aspects of media and communication, led him to a long-term career in television. In college, he began working at television stations, working his way up as he became an indispensable asset behind the scenes in the television world. Throughout his stint in broadcast television, he continued to study a variety of interesting and unconventional topics, with an eye toward eventually writing a series of books which would encompass his many areas of interest.

After a move to Charlotte, North Carolina, to become Director of Operations at one of the largest television production houses in the eastern U.S., he began the first of his long-dreamed-of books. At first, he didn't make much progress on the book, as his position at the television network required long hours. But later, budget cuts at his place of employment proved fortuitous for John by providing him the time and ability to finally hone his ideas and begin to make real progress on his first book, *The Watchers*.

Now, John is an almost-full-time, stay-at-home Dad, a freelance television producer, and is at last, almost finished with the emotional battle of writing his first book. *The Watchers* is a story that will entertain, fascinate, and frighten you – and give you reason to rethink the way you look at the world. Stay in touch with John to be among the first to know when *The Watchers* becomes available.

John lives in the Charlotte, North Carolina, area with his lovely wife, two brilliant children, and a stinky dachshund.

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### The Watchers Page:

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An archeologist unearths a discovery that threatens to shake the convictions of millions – only to expose an ancient peril, an international conspiracy, and the battle of his life.

*John Michael Brinson introduces his first novel,  
The Watchers -  
the story of an archeology professor obsessed with proving his theory  
that giants once roamed the earth...*

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Jason Rhodes, Professor of Ancient History and Antiquities at Kensington College, provides the crucial research for locating an immensely important archeological find right here in the United States. He sends a team of young archeologists to the Four Corners Region of the Colorado desert, expecting to be able to hold onto this proof, this tangible evidence that will restore his position as a respected authority within the staid body of the archeological community. But before he even knows that his team has unearthed the discovery of a lifetime, mysterious disappearances and strange events have begun to happen at the site.

Natalie Richards has known that there is something unusual in her destiny ever since she was nine years old, when her grandmother took her to a country camp meeting and an old, dancing preacher spoke a haunting prophecy over her. And even though her philosophical way of looking at the world and her eerily accurate intuition have kept her on the fringes of society, she has found her way to the top of her chosen field, and is the new Professor of Religion and Philosophy at Kensington College.

When Natalie walks into Jason's life, he is enamored with her from the start, in spite of his long-standing relationship with Cheryl Jacobsen, the female archeologist who is heading his team in Colorado. But as soon as Cheryl and the team locate the skeleton of the giant that will prove Jason's theory, Cheryl's disturbingly violent disappearance proves to be just the tip of the iceberg of unexplained happenings in the area. Natalie's knowledge of ancient religions brings her into the situation in ways that no one, least of all Natalie, would ever have thought possible.

When the circumstances become obviously dangerous, Jason turns to one of the few people in the world who he knows he can trust, white-haired Israeli scientist Josef Franz, and his bubble-gum-popping, bouncy blond Barbie-esque assistant, Amy, an enigma who is hiding dark, shadowy, and dangerous secrets. With Natalie's knowledge, accurate intuition, and hidden emotional strength, she surprises everyone by becoming indispensable to the survival of the group.

Only with the four of them working together, can they control the outcome of any portion of the hair-raising, eerie events of conspiracy and intrigue that beleaguer them at every step. Can the strange, small group survive? If they can survive, will they be able to solve at least a portion of the mystery of the race of giants who once roamed the earth? And what of Jason and Natalie? Will their attraction to each other survive the most terrifying events of their lives?

Stay tuned for the coming publication of John's exciting new novel, *The Watchers*.