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As a highly sought-after speaker, Cal has worked with many companies including Pixar, Lululemon, Vans and Apple Music. His keynotes and interactive workshops, derived from decades of interviewing, inspire organizations to take a new look at the fundamental aspects of their business.

As a writer for Esquire, GQ, Sports Illustrated, ESPN, and The Washington Post Sunday Magazine over the years, he has transformed oral history into an art form, conducting probing interviews with the icons who've shaped the last half-century of world history, including: Mikhail Gorbachev, Jimmy Carter, Ted Kennedy, Quincy Jones, Jeff Bezos, Jack Welch, Robert DeNiro, Al Pacino, Muhammad Ali, and hundreds of others. The Austin Chronicle has described Fussman's interviewing skills as "peerless."

Born in Brooklyn, Fussman spent ten straight years traveling the world, swimming over 18-foot tiger sharks, rolling around with mountain gorillas in Rwanda, and searching for gold in the Amazon. He boxed against then-undefeated world champion Julio Cesar Chavez, won a James Beard award and served as sommelier atop of the World Trade Center. He now lives with his wife—whom he met while on his quest to discover the world's most beautiful beach—and his three children in Los Angeles, where he spends every morning eating breakfast with Larry King.