



Mikel Vause, Professor of English

Education:

BS, Weber State University

MA; Ph.D., Bowling Green University

Awards & Honors:

Cortez Outstanding Honors Professor

Crystal Crest Master Teacher

The George and Beth Lowe Excellence in Teaching Award

Lindquist Creative Arts Award

Utah Humanities/Weber Arts Advocate Award

Henry Aldous Dixon Award.

Courses Taught

- College Writing: ENGL 1010, 2010
- General Education Literature: 2200 Introduction to Literature, 2220 Introduction to Fiction (online)
- 19th Century British and American Literature
- Mountaineering and Exploration Literature

Research Interests & Publications

Author of numerous articles, poems short stories, and book chapters.

Books include *On Mountains and Mountaineers*; *Rock 'n Roses Vols. I and II*; *Wilderness Tapestry*; and *Peering Over the Edges: The Philosophy of Mountaineering*.

Poetry collections are: *I Knew It Would Come to This*; *At the Edge of Things*; *Looking for the Old Crown*; *The Scent of Juniper*; and *A Mountain Touched by Fire*; *A Home to Strange Animals*; *Secondary Sources*. In 2016 he was a Pushcart Prize nominee for his poem "What Said the Thunder."

Fun Facts

Member of the American Alpine Club and British Alpine Club.

Served as the only non-British Chair of the Boardman/Tasker Mountain Literature Award.

Vause has climbed various places in the USA, Arctic Norway, Nepal and Tibet, and extensively in Scotland, England, and Wales.