

August 6, 2013

Anthony plummets out of an airplane at 14,500 feet, handcuffed and chained in a box locked with a “keyless” lock to promote his new book, *Escape or Die: An Escape Artist Unlocks the Secret to Cheating Death* (Genesis Publishing Group).

The aerial escape, featured live on Fox News Channel, garnered worldwide attention--including interviews on GMA and the BBC, and coverage on news sources such as ABC, CBS, USA Today, Washington Post, Huffington Post, and TIME--and was the #1 most downloaded AP story of the day.

July 1, 2013

Anthony’s new book “Escape or Die an Escape Artist unlocks the secret to cheating death” is published by Genesis Publishing.

December 16, 2011

Anthony does an impromptu escape from jail cell “D2” at the county courthouse in Wautoma, Wisconsin following a successful “Dare” Anti-Drug presentation for their local Sheriff’s Department.

September 13, 2011

Anthony is featured in the Ripley's Believe It Or Not 2012 Annual.

August 22, 2011

Anthony returns to the Waushara County Jail 25 years to the day to duplicate his escape of 1986. He is strapped to a ladder in a strait jacket and locked behind 4 steel doors. He escapes in 2 minutes and 50 seconds, having again defeated the jail that held Edward Gein, America's Most Bizarre Murderer.

July 12, 2011

Anthony films the first point of view video of an aerial handcuff escape while plummeting to the earth from 13,500 feet.

November 2, 2010

Anthony is handcuffed and locked in a steel safe by Missouri locksmith Ives Bradley. He shows them in the Show Me State by escaping in 3 minutes and 14 seconds.

July 13, 2010

Anthony is heavily manacled before leaping from an airplane at 13,500 feet. He escapes in freefall and deploys his parachute successfully in under 60 seconds.

September 11, 2009

Anthony demonstrates an escape from Jail Cell #1 at City Hall in Northlake, Illinois.

September 5, 2009

Anthony is searched by Sheriff Terry Vogel and locked in a cell from the Door County Jail. He escapes in 5 minutes.

July 3, 2009

Anthony demonstrates an escape from a jail cell preserved by a museum in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin.

June 13, 2009

Anthony is searched and handcuffed in a chain configuration of 12 handcuffs that includes a 20lb. ball and chain. He is then locked in a cell at the Porter County Jail. He appears free in 8 minutes and 13 seconds having defeated the handcuffs and three locked jail doors to reach freedom.

June 12, 2009

Anthony demonstrates an escape from a 19th century strap iron cell manufactured by The Champion Iron Company of Kenton, Ohio. He escapes in under 3 minutes.

October 4, 2008

Anthony is searched and bound in an unaltered Posey Strait Jacket. All straps of the restraint were utilized including the side and belly loops. He was then locked in cell #3 of the Vernon County Jail. He escaped in 3 minutes and 10 seconds.

March 4, 2006

Anthony is searched and laced inside a full length punishment suit. He is then dragged into a cell at the Ozaukee County Jail and locked inside. He escapes in 4 minutes, 7 seconds.

September 12, 2004

Successfully escapes from a rare high security cuff provided by the local police Olney, Illinois during a local outreach.

April, 2002

Invents a manipulation tool to aid locksmiths in determining safe combinations when unknown or lost.

May 9, 2001

Creates "Live Cargo", an escape that incorporates the use of the worlds most dangerous animal.

June 21, 2000

The Snake River Canyon, untested since Evel Knievel's attempt to tame it in 1974 is the location for Anthony's latest aerial "Dance with Death". Wearing handcuffs supplied by the Jerome County Commissioner's office. Anthony leaps from an airplane at 11,000 feet over the perilous gorge. He escapes in freefall, deploying his parachute, and landing on the North rim having conquered the canyon.

August 11, 1999

Develops High Noon, an escape that pits the artist against the terrors of lynching.

November, 1998

Launches Ambassador In Chains Ministries using the Art Of Escape to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

May, 1998

Anthony is manacled to a board and escapes before being thrust through with an arrow at the University of Wisconsin before an audience of drama students.

April, 1998

Develops Jacobs Ladder escape that features a release from a suspended ladder prior to being dropped 80 feet.

July 13, 1997

The escape artist is hung 80 feet over a concrete parking lot in a Five Point Asylum restraint. He escapes in less than 2 minutes.

January 20, 1996

Anthony is featured in his first network television special. ABC airs "Secrets of the World's Greatest Escape Artist," which telecast the escapists successful attempts to duplicate three of his most daring feats. The show concluded with Anthony's dramatic escape from beneath 2000 pounds of sand at the Las Vegas Hilton in Las Vegas Nevada.

September 13, 1995

Anthony escapes from the Washington County Jail. He defeated the cell door, a straitjacket, and 40 pound ball and chain to accomplish it.

August 6, 1994

Anthony leaps from an aircraft at 13,000 feet heavily chained and manacled. He successfully escapes in freefall, deploying his parachute, and saving his life.

September 21, 1992

Anthony escapes from a cell in the Clark County Jail in 2 minutes and 22 seconds.

August 1, 1991

Denied permission by the Bush Administration to challenge the vaults of Fort Knox despite support by the Wisconsin Governors Office.

April 17, 1991

Anthony escapes from the Rock County Jail in 5 minutes 6 seconds. He defeated three locked cell doors and three pairs of handcuffs to do so.

February 26, 1990

Anthony's hands are chained and he is locked within a metal cage with locks removed on the spot from their factory packaging. The cage was then lowered through a hole chainsawed in the ice of a water-filled quarry. He escapes his watery tomb in 1 minute 45 seconds becoming the first person in the world to perform an escape under the ice.

February 14, 1990

Escapes from the Racine City Jail despite three pairs of handcuffs and three jail doors in seven minutes. A jailer, as is required by law, remained in the locked cellblock and confirms Anthony received no outside aid in his escape.

October 12, 1988

The Los Angeles Police Department secures Anthony in a canvas bag padlocked from the outside with a lock removed from its original package by television celebrity Dick Clark. He easily escapes in 20 seconds in front of a national audience of millions on "Dick Clark Presents".

September, 1988

Successfully executes an escape from a challenge pair of handcuffs within seconds in impromptu style on "The Late Show" with Ross Shafer.

August 28, 1988



Anthony is searched, handcuffed with two pairs of handcuffs, each covered in a black box and padlocked with locks sealed in their original packages (a black box is a device designed to cover and prevent tampering with the handcuff keyholes). He was then led to a freight box in which he was secured and chained to the interior equipped with only a parachute. The box, having been designed with a jail cell lock, was itself locked and loaded aboard a large cargo plane. Shoved out of the cargo bay at 13,500 feet and traveling at a terminal velocity of 130 miles and hour, Anthony escaped at approximately 6,500 feet and parachuted safely to the ground and into the record books, having completed the Greatest Escape of All Time.

March 15, 1988

Breaks out of a cell in the Marinette County Jail, despite six flexcuffs that secured his wrists, ankles, and neck.

October 31, 1987

Escapes in two minutes from the cell that held "Baby Face Nelson" at the Kewaunee County Jail after being trussed in two straitjackets.

August 3, 1987

Breaks out of a Deerfield, Illinois jail cell after being searched, handcuffed, and locked in a canvas bag in 3 minutes, 35 seconds.

July 12, 1987

Escapes from the "Crystal Crypt" - a box-like device that encased the performer behind 3/8-inch thick plate glass window while being buried in 2,000 pounds of sand.

August 22, 1986

Earns the title of "King of Escapists" in "Ripley's Believe It Or Not" after releasing himself from six sets of handcuffs and penetrating six prison doors at the Waushara County Jail in 4 minutes, 45 seconds. This is the same jail that housed Edward Gein "America's Most Bizarre Murderer". The Gein case provided the basis for Alfred Hitchcock's movie "Psycho" and the films "Deranged" and "Texas Chainsaw Massacre".

February 17, 1985

Escapes after being chained, handcuffed, and locked inside an "Electric Cell" before current switch is thrown.

October 17, 1984

Escapes from a police belly chain, handcuffs, and thumbcuffs after being locked in a U.S. Government mail pouch with a five-foot python coiled around his neck at the Pabst Theatre in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

September 24, 1984

Escapes after being bound in 20 pounds of chains secured with six padlocks, ranging from Master to Yale to Slaymaker and nailed inside a coffin. The coffin was tied twice at both ends with heavy rope, weighted at four points with burlap bags containing 500 pounds of rocks, and submerged in over six feet of water in the Sheboygan River, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.

May 12, 1984

Emerges triumphant after being trussed in 20 pounds of chains - with a tensile strength of 2,000 pounds - shackled with six different locking devices and hurled into a swimming pool.

February 24, 1983

Videotaped escaping from a maximum security isolation jail cell after being searched and restrained in eight pairs of handcuffs, a set of thumbcuffs, a belly chain, a leather restraining belt, and leg irons.

January 24, 1983

Buried under 6 feet of earth in a sealed coffin by Wagner Excavating and escapes.

November 10, 1982

Videotaped escaping from a vault after being searched, handcuffed, sealed in an airtight body bag, and locked in an official U.S. Government mail pouch secured from the outside.

August 7, 1982

Over 2,000 people witness him escape from a locked, water-filled barrel after being submerged for over 3 minutes.

June 16, 1980

Escapes from police belly chain, straitjacket, and maximum-security jail cell while appearing on the nationally syndicated television program "P.M. Magazine".

October 26, 1979

Escapes from regulation police "belly chain" while appearing on the television show "Kids World".

July 6, 1979

Escapes from handcuffs and straitjacket at Sheboygan County Jail, Wisconsin, after being searched and restrained by Sheriff Vernon Boeckmann and Inspector Eugene Paulson.

December, 1978

Becomes youngest person in the world to escape from a regulation police straitjacket.

August 8, 1976

First professional performance in Kiel, Wisconsin.

March 15, 1976

Successfully executes first escape from regulation police handcuffs.