LUKE JOHNSON

CREATIVE COPYWRITER/EDITOR

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EDUCATION

BACHELOR'S/JOURNALISM University of Montana '04

MASTER'S/FILM PRODUCTION Vancouver Film School '08

SKILLS

Creativity

Problems Solving

Editing

Time Management

Critical Thinking

- Patience
- Crafting

Research

Distillation

Collaboration

Identification

Proofing

- Communication
- Light Video Production
- People Person
- Attention to Detail
- Quick Turn-around

PROFILE SUMMARY

Seasoned writer, editor, ghostwriter and content creator excited about a career pivot. Ten plus years content creation across a wide variety of media including print, web, video, film, TV and email. Proven ability to write creative, compelling copy on schedule, on brand, on point.

CORE QUALIFICATIONS

- A knack for finding "the story" -- uncovering what to say about and on behalf of clients and how to say it across multiple channels.
- Well-honed capability to juggle varied projects and priorities with changing timelines and the ability to pivot as needed to come through in the clutch
- Collaborative, communicative, adaptable, enthused, honest, excitable.
- A love of both deep dive and quick skim research to elicit innovative thinking and deliverables.
- Social media and B2B email experience

WORK EXPERIENCE

STORY EDITOR

FREELANCE // Portland, OR // 2017 - Present

Producers and screenwriters trust me with their babies as I help them tinker with and break their stories that they might one day find the screen.

- Web series, feature films, television, animation.
- Specialize in 3-act structure and finding the emotional conflict that helps drive the engine of story.
- Have helped independent features, web series and TV series to get the green light to go into production.

COPYWRITER

FREELANCE // Portland, OR // 2008 - Present

I specialize in blogs and articles, but have also written B2B, B2C, email series and web copy. I love research and knocking out assignments as well as pitching and knocking out my own.

- Published articles in the Great Falls Tribune, Missoulian, Oregonian, Willamette Weekly and Portland Mercury.
- Steeped in AP style
- Match clients' voice needs with ease; able to amplify current voice and punch up as needed
- Specialize in wit and humor if wanted

VARIED FILM INDUSTRY POSITIONS

MULTIPLE PRODUCTIONS // BRITISH COLUMBIA, ALASKA, MONTANA, OREGON// 2005 – 2010

 Worked on dozens of film shoots in a variety of positions -- from lowly grip and production assistant all the way up to first assistant director (person in charge of everything on set on a shoot of over 60 cast and crew).

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WORK EXPERIENCE (cont.)

 Successfully juggled set scheduling on a time-crunch with constant last second changes happening. Learned how to prioritize, stay on task and always come through in the clutch.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

MONTANA KAIMIN // MISSOULA, MT // 2003 - 2004

- Responsible for content creation and editing using the Adobe Suite.
- Managed two reporters, creating assignments and deadlines.
- Wrote countless editorials, articles and a popular weekly humor column.

NEWSPAPER REPORTER (Intern)

GREAT FALLS TRIBUNE // Great Falls, MT // 2003

- Trusted to write features, profiles and hard news for a Pulitzer Prize winning newspaper.
- Gained solid newsroom experience plus a wealth of experience performing with a deadline.
- Wrote hundreds of articles on a time crunch.