

# Jeremy Fassler

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**Professional Summary:** Freelance journalist and writer specializing in politics, culture, and policy.

## Education

**Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism**, New York NY

May 2021

M.S. in journalism. Trained in investigative and culture reporting, with an emphasis on theater.

### Selected Projects:

- Broke a front-page *New York Times* [story](#) on entertainment unions cutting actors off their health plans during the pandemic, conducting more than 30 interviews and analyzing union health plans. March 2021.
- Project-managed an [investigation](#) for *The Kansas Reflector* on a shady COVID startup in Wichita, overseeing my classmates' work and obtaining exclusive material from Kansas legislators and public health officials. March 2021.
- Wrote a feature [story](#) profiling BIPOC stage managers and their efforts to foster greater diversity backstage, published in *The New York Times*. May 2021.
- Produced a [podcast](#) about Congresswoman Bella Abzug the investigative podcast *Shoe Leather*, obtaining rare archival material on her connections to show business and interviewing her friends and family. May 2021.

## Professional Experience

**Freelance Journalist**, New York NY

April 2017 – Present

### Selected Stories:

- *The New York Times* – [Profiled](#) Russian theater director Dmitry Krymov with staff writer Dan Bilefsky by drawing on my graduate studies at the Moscow Art Theater School and knowledge of Krymov's work. April 2023.
- *The Atlantic* – Co-wrote an [explainer](#) on Deloitte's efforts to combat climate change for *Re:think*. Interviewed Deloitte leaders and researching climate literature. March 2023.
- *Variety* – [Tribute](#) to the late film editor David Brenner. March 2023.
- *Mother Jones* – Broke a [story](#) investigating Skyhorse Publishing hiring of a January 6 conspiracy theorist to write the introduction to their edition of the January 6 report. June 2022.
- *The Daily Beast* – Wrote an [op-ed](#) debunking far left misinformation on NATO. March 2022.

**Vox Media**, Contributing Writer, *Vulture* | Editorial Assistant, New York NY

February 2014 – Present

- Transcribing more than 100 interviews for *Vulture* journalists with maximum attention to detail to ensure minimal spelling errors and fact-checking all claims made by interviewees.
- [Ranked](#) every Oscar winner for Best Animated Short Film, reviewing all 91 films and contextualizing them in the history of animation. March 2023.
- [Interviewed](#) *Succession* star Brian Cox about his support for Ukraine and his experience teaching at the Moscow Art Theater School, reading his book *Salem to Moscow: An Actor's Journey*, to prepare detailed questions. March 2022.
- [Profiled](#) the all-POC sketch comedy group *Who Made the Potato Salad?*, attending their performances and preparing nuanced questions to analyze the significance of POC in sketch comedy, February 2019.

**The Deadwood Bible: A Lie Agreed Upon**, Co-Author | Project Manager, New York NY

September 2018 – April 2022

- Co-wrote a book about HBO's *Deadwood* with *Vulture* critic Matt Zoller Seitz. Coordinated with co-editors to edit, proofread, and fact-check the manuscript to bring it in ahead of deadline.

**The Daily Banter**, Staff Writer, New York NY

April 2017 – January 2019

- Wrote more than 300 articles for an opinion news site focused on politics. Broke a national story exposing Republican Congressman Dana Rohrabacher intimidating his constituents. Wrote op-eds, blog posts and web copy.

**Freelance Editorial Assistant**, New York NY

November 2013 – Present

- Transcribing interviews, editing, researching, fact-checking, and proofreading for books and articles with a high rate of client retention. Clients include journalists Matt Zoller Seitz (*Vulture*), Jane Mayer (*The New Yorker*), and David Corn (*Mother Jones*).

**That's All She Wrote**, Writer's Assistant, New York NY

September 2013 – present

- Assisting Emmy-Award-winning writer Margaret Nagle by drafting and outlining film and TV scripts, as well as researching material for development.

## Skills

Writing, researching, fact-checking, project management, copyediting, transcribing (120wpm), Russian, encyclopedic knowledge of politics and elections, former *Jeopardy!* contestant (March 2017, came in 2<sup>nd</sup>.)