# Jeevagayathri Ravindran

Award-winning journalist with experience in international newsrooms | Fluent in English, French, Spanish & Tamil | First-class Oxford graduate | Bylines in BBC, CNN, Reuters, VICE, World Politics Review & more

#### **Skills**

- News Writing
- Feature Writing
- Photography
- Video Editing
- Interviewing
- Reporting
- Proofreading
- Copywriting
- Editing
- Translation
- Adobe Premiere Pro
- Adobe InDesign
- Microsoft Office
- WordPress
- CMS
- Social Media
- iNews
- LiveU

#### Languages

- **English** (native)
- **Gamil** (native)
- French (fluent)
- Spanish (fluent)
- Sinhala (intermediate)
- Hindi (upper elementary)

#### **Contact**

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#### **Experience**

### ♦ Consultant, Malaiyaha Tamils Project

Amnesty International South Asia | Dec 2023 - Present

- Conducted extensive fieldwork in Tamil across tea plantations in Sri Lanka's Southern Province, speaking to over 140 workers
- Researched and wrote a human rights briefing on labour rights violations
- Helped to plan a campaigns and communications strategy

## Freelance Journalist / Reporter, Sri Lanka

Independent | Sep 2022 - Nov 2023

- Pitched and delivered a range of multimedia stories from Sri Lanka
- Topics including legacy of LTTE, exploitation on tea estates and land grabs
- Wrote text pieces and took accompanying photos
- Worked with CBC, The Guardian, VICE and The National among others

#### Freelance Multimedia Reporter, Sri Lanka

Reuters | Aug 2022

- Pitched and delivered a 10-day assignment covering the economic crisis
- Organised all reporting and logistics, fielding a wide range of contacts
- Completed 4 feature stories and wrote accompanying wires for all
- Conducted field interviews and translated them from Tamil

#### Freelance Visuals Producer, UK Bureau

Reuters | June 2022 - Dec 2023

- Carrying out fieldwork assignments for UK & Ireland news
- Worked on resignation of Boris Johnson and Biden's Ireland visit
- Serving as primary desk producer on multiple occasions
- Handled UK RVN operations solo over Christmas period during staff leave

#### Freelance Visuals Producer, London Hub

**Reuters | Nov 2021 - June 2022** 

- Editing videos for news packages using Adobe Premiere Pro
- Writing shotlists and scripts for news packages
- Occasionally managing other producers on late shifts
- Fieldwork in Paris for 2022 presidential elections and for UK bureau

#### Freelance Digital News Producer

CNN | Sep 2021 - June 2022

- Pitching and writing news stories for the trending news desk & main news desk
- Conducting interviews and organising logistics of coverage
- Working on live blogs and filing breaking news stories

#### Freelance Visuals Producer, Paris

Reuters | April 2022

- Assigned to cover the 2022 French presidential elections
- Carried out a range of fieldwork assignments including first reactions to results and interviewing Mélenchon supporters

#### **Interests**

#### Volunteering

Worked with charities including Crisis, Centrepoint, and Amnesty International in key roles

#### **Performing Arts**

Acted in 11 theatre productions at Oxford University, trained in South Indian classical dance and served as president of South Asian Arts Society

#### **Sports**

Keble College Women's Football Team, Oxford Archery

#### **Achievements**

#### Gold Winner in Best Co-Hosts, Public Service & Activism Podcast for 'Less Than 2%'

2022

Lovie Awards

#### **Outstanding Young Journalist**

2021

Asian Media Awards

## Prix du Jeune Reporter d'Espoirs

2021

Reporters d'Espoirs

## Jacinta Marie Bunnell Award for Commentary

2017

Youth Journalism International

## Award for Community Service

2016

**Bromley Rotary Club** 

## Investigative Journalist, Sexual Violence Podcast

Chayn | Apr 2021 - May 2022

- Part of a team of three journalists on a podcast about rape justice
- Combing through court transcripts and legal documents
- Collecting testimonies from survivors who reported their assaults

#### BBC Asian Network Radio Presenter

BBC | April 2021 - May 2022

- Selected as one of 13 new radio presenters following a nationwide competition
- Presented my own 4 week-long entertainment show with two-hour episodes
- Curating playlists and writing content; now presenting a biweekly show

#### Freelance Journalist

Various publications | Oct 2020 - Jan 2021

- Pitched, conducted interviews, and delivered articles to tight deadlines
- Wrote for BBC World, ELLE, World Politics Review, Huck Magazine, and others

#### News Editor

**Cherwell Newspaper | Sep - Nov 2019** 

- Co-chaired weekly meetings of reporters
- Wrote and reported on stories from Oxford University and the local community
- Commissioned and edited reporters' pieces

#### ▶ Freelance Visuals Producer, Madrid

Reuters | Aug - Sep 2019

- Handled stories from start to finish including editing and scripting
- Conducted interviews on the field
- Worked on stories including La Tomatina, flash floods, and football events

#### Freelance Visuals Producer, Paris

Reuters | July 2019 - Present

- Conducted interviews on the field
- Verified others' work, especially interns
- Worked on stories including Haute Couture week and yellow vest protests

#### Television Journalist Intern, Paris

Reuters | Jan - June 2019

- Worked on stories including the Notre-Dame fire and European elections
- Conducted fieldwork assignments almost every day
- Edited videos using Adobe Premiere Pro software, wrote shotlists and scripts

#### **Education**

#### University of Oxford

BA in Modern Languages (French and Spanish), First Class | 2016 - 2020

- Extensive focus on Francophone and Latin American literature
- Portfolio on Islamic Spain during the medieval period (Al-Andalus)
- Dissertation on gender roles and sexuality in Moroccan literature

#### Université Paris-Sorbonne IV

**Erasmus Study Programme | 2018** 

- Completed modules in French
- Studied Arabic, Middle Eastern History, Journalism, and Audiovisual Creation