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Professional Summary

Versatile Editor and Writer offering extensive experience in social media content curation, editing and storytelling. Adept at transforming complex topics into innovative, engaging, and informative news stories.

Be it leader or supporting player, I'm at my best when part of a passionate, creative team. I've never missed a deadline.

Skills

- Editing
- Newsletters
- Photography
- Press releases
- Story Development/Research
- Social Media
- SEO

- Copywriting
- Content Creation/Strategy
- AP and Chicago Manual of Style
- Copyediting
- Journalism
- Creative Writing
- PR/Marketing Materials

Work History

FREELANCE WRITER/EDITOR

01/2007 to Current

Various Clients

My main objective is to research and complete writing tasks for a variety of businesses, such as <u>PotreroView.net</u>, <u>TheSpaceReporter.com</u>, <u>YBNY.com</u>, <u>CTLatinoNews.com</u>, <u>MountainX.com</u>, <u>PlanesWalkersLibrary.com</u> and many others. I adhere to competing deadlines, writing 20 to 30 engaging, accurate and creative news stories per month. *Notable accomplishments:*

- Cultivate social media following across numerous platforms engaging over 300,000 total followers
- Compile information regarding stories through interviews, observation and in-depth research
- Check all facts to maintain high standard of journalistic integrity and maintain publication's reputation

ASSOCIATE EDITOR & STUDENT COMPETITION DIRECTOR

04/2017 to 08/2019

Make-Up Artist Magazine

Key Publishing Group consists of the International Make-Up Artist Trade Show and *Make-Up Artist* magazine, and for this company I wore many hats and juggled a full work-load in a fast-paced environment. I proved myself to be a key player in a wildly creative and ambitious team.

Notable accomplishments:

- Optimized online and print strategies to maximize coverage increasing advertiser funding and subscriptions
- Directed and organized student competition (<u>Battle of the Brushes</u>) at trade shows, escalating marketing efforts and effectively drawing in more revenue through an increase, on average, of 30 submissions per show
- Created and managed social media content on numerous platforms increasing followers to over 1 million
- Managed content and aesthetics of all company sites: <u>IMATS.net</u>, <u>Makeupmag.com</u>, and <u>Keypublishinggroup.com</u> developing new systems to drive traffic, increasing page views by approximately 100,000/month
- Overhauled the layout and aesthetics of Makeupmag.com implementing a long-form story layout as well as implementing an RSS feed and publishing content on new platforms dramatically increasing page views
- Spearheaded marketing campaigns to drive ticket sales for IMATS, superseding sales expectations
- Developed strategies to push magazine sales, resulting in a back-issue sales increase by 20 percent
- Brought fresh stories ideas to the table, namely drawing in influencers, which ultimately led to repeated sell outs of the printed magazine

MANAGING EDITOR 05/2014 to 03/2017

Messenger Publishing Group

As the leader of a strong team of writers and photographers, I was able to provide the community with captivating content via 10 newspapers (three weeklies, four bimonthlies and three monthlies) and one monthly magazine.

Notable accomplishments:

- Coordinated online and print content and topics with editor and chief, elevating the investigative portion of our coverage
- Devised attention-grabbing headlines and summaries for social media posts and online and print articles
- Communicated directly with reporters to assess stories and improve quality of work
- Monitored breaking news for information on incidents, events and topics of interest to quickly assign coverage

PUBLICATIONS MANAGER

11/2010 to 02/2014

Better World Club

As the voice of the Better World Club, I elevated the quality of content and designs while maintaining consistency with brand message.

Notable accomplishments:

- Wrote weekly newsletter tackling current political and environmental issues, implementing a satirical tone and ultimately gaining over 2,000 subscribers
- Maximized advertising efforts by developing content for media relations, corporate communications and social media posts
- Wrote and edited high-quality content and visually impactful programs under deadline pressure with exciting, captivating and authentic approach
- Created high-impact messaging for all marketing media, contributing to increase in revenue

CONTENT CREATOR/COPYWRITER

05/2008 to 05/2013

Luxury Living Magazine

While working for *Luxury Living* I exercised my creativity in order to utilize all platforms to sale time shares and luxury items.

Notable accomplishments:

- Produced quality writing based on in depth research for online and print publication
- Completed thorough research into assigned topics in order to write in authoritative and complete manner
- Presented unique copy options based on overall marketing objectives
- Coordinating images and layout to ensure high quality presentation of content

Education

SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY – San Francisco, CA

Bachelor of Arts in Journalism 2007

MEDIABISTRO – Online Copywriting Certificate 2009

Community Involvement

Reach Out and Read – Volunteer since 2018
Portland Triathlon Club – Member since 2017
Soldier's Angels – Volunteer since 2016
Vancouver Animal Lover's Book Club – Founding member, organized in 2015

Technical Skills