

MADISON ALEXANDRA SOTOS

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Education

University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, Scotland **2021 - Present**
MSc Creative Writing

University of St Andrews, St Andrews, Scotland **2017 - 2021**
MA Honours Comparative Literature and English GPA 16.2 – II.1

The Madeira School, McLean, Virginia **September 2013 - June 2017**
GPA 94 – A

Writing/ Publications

- Publications:
 - Reviews in *The Upcoming*, 2022: ‘In PurSUEt’, ‘Dreams of the Small Gods’, ‘Circus Abyssinia: Tulu’, ‘Skank’, ‘Changing the Sheets’, ‘Cirque Berserk!’, ‘Pash’, ‘Muse’, ‘Fata Morgana’, ‘Trainspotting Live’
 - ‘Mirage in the Mirror’ *From Arthur’s Seat*, 2022
 - ‘My Brilliant Friend’ Review, *The Saint*, 2020
 - ‘A Gentleman in Moscow’ Review, *St Andrews English Journal*, 2019
 - ‘Belly’s Bakery,’ First Place *Lucent Dreaming* short story competition, January 2019, Issue 3

Volunteer/ Work Experience

Beau Monde Traveler Assistant Editor (Internship) **September 2022 – Present**

- Research and write articles about luxury travel destinations, hotels, restaurants, and cultural events; Conduct interviews; Assist with editorial tasks

The Upcoming Staff Writer, Edinburgh **August 2022 - Present**

- Write reviews of Edinburgh Fringe 2022 shows, conduct interviews, carry out transcriptions, and assist with editorial tasks

Sepia Journal Prose Reader, Cambridge **March 2022 – Present**

- Review prose submissions for publication and offer suggestion for acceptance or rejection

***From Arthur's Seat* Copyeditor/Proofreader, Edinburgh December 2021 - April 2022**

- Review short stories and poems, edit to resolve grammatical errors/ improve clarity of expression

Peer Tutor, St Andrews, Fife

September 2020 – May 2021

- Assisted students in writing essays; Edited essays to assist with clarity of expression and grammar/diction

Maryland Oncology Hematology Receptionist, Rockville, MD

July – August 2019

- Customer service responsibilities; Mastered online programs Centricity and iKnowMedGen2

GirlsFirst Camp Counselor, The Madeira School, McLean, VA

July – August 2018

- Oversaw and planned group activities for day and residential campers aged twelve to fifteen; Served as yoga instructor and assistant to photography teacher

Capitol Hill Internship with U.S Representative, Washington D.C.

April 2016

- Handled correspondence with constituents; Led tours of the Capitol Building; Carried out organizational tasks, such as the preparation of documents and routine office filing

INTERESTS AND SPECIAL SKILLS

Linguistic Skills:

- English: native
- French: proficient
- Italian: conversational

IT Skills:

- Proficient in MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Digital photography/photo-editing skills
- Competent in social media, including Facebook and Instagram

Travel:

- Traveled extensively in the United States and Europe
- Traveled within Central America and Africa

Photography