Andrea Yu

A freelance journalist writing reported features, business case studies and first-person narratives focused on emerging trends in Toronto and Canada.

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EXPERIENCE

Freelance Journalist, Toronto

SEPTEMBER 2012 TO PRESENT

Writing long-form content for national magazines and newspapers, ranging from 700 to 3,000+ words. Experienced in sourcing candidates, conducting interviews and revising drafts based on editor feedback.

Foodism Magazine, Toronto — *Staff writer*

NOVEMBER 2016 TO MAY 2018

Produced and developed short and long-form content for a bimonthly print magazine. Wrote weekly digital articles and a weekly email newsletter. Brainstormed, strategized and executed editorial themes. Developed branded content projects with sales representatives and wrote client advertorials.

Hudson's Bay Company, Toronto — *Lead product copywriter*

MAY 2013 TO OCTOBER 2014

Wrote product descriptions for home and fashion items sold on TheBay.com and LordandTaylor.com. Managed a team of junior copywriters and freelancers. Proofed and edited the work of junior copywriters for errors and writing tone.

EDUCATION

University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong— Master of Journalism

SEPTEMBER 2010 TO MAY 2011

Completed courses in video news production, health journalism, media law and photojournalism. Achieved a Mark of Distinction for outstanding coursework.

McMaster University, Hamilton—Bachelor of Science

SEPTEMBER 2004 TO MAY 2008

Completed an honours thesis project in the Department of Psychology. Embarked on a two-semester exchange at the University of Copenhagen.

PUBLICATIONS

[URLs to author pages]
Globe and Mail
Toronto Life
Maclean's
Canadian Business
Toronto Star
Cottage Life
Foodism
Escapism
enRoute
U of T Magazine

CLIENTS

G Adventures Sunwing Sunlife, Lumino Health

SUBJECT MATTER EXPERIENCE

Life
Business
Food and drink
Real estate
Careers and employment
Design
Travel
Fitness

SKILLS

Interviewing
Profile-writing
Editing
Sponsored content
Sourcing interviews
Proofreading

AWARD NOMINATIONS

Feature Writing
National Magazine
Awards, 2017
Service Journalism
National Magazine
Awards, 2022
Best Column
National Magazine Awards
B2B, 2022