

# KIRAN KANE

## JOURNALIST | PHOTOJOURNALIST

San Diego, California | Contact through portfolio

### PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

San Diego-based journalist and photojournalist specializing in anime, gaming, entertainment and community reporting. Produces breaking news, reported features, criticism, interviews and visual coverage for digital and student newsrooms. U.S. Navy veteran completing a B.A. in journalism and media studies at San Diego State University.

### JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

#### AnimeTV | Contributor / Journalist

2025 - Present

- Report breaking news, features, interviews, reviews and analysis on anime production, distribution, creators and fandom for a global digital publication.
- Reached 40,000+ readers during the first month of contributions; cover premieres, panels and screenings on deadline while observing embargoes and outlet standards.
- Reported from Anime Expo 2026 and secured industry access including placement on the VIZ Media premiere press list.

#### The Daily Aztec | Photojournalist & Staff Writer

Aug. 2024 - Present

- Report and photograph campus news, arts and culture, entertainment, esports and regional stories for San Diego State University's independent student newspaper.
- Produce spot news, profiles, reviews and event coverage on deadline, including concerts, theater, Comic-Con, campus convocation and cross-border reporting in Tijuana.
- Pitch stories, interview sources, verify facts, write AP-style copy and deliver original images with accurate captions and metadata.

#### Overwatch Cavalry | Writer

Jan. 2026

- Produced the Talon Report, a weekly roundup translating competitive Overwatch, esports and community developments into concise, audience-focused coverage.

### SELECTED COVERAGE

**Events:** Anime Expo 2026 | San Diego Comic-Con 2026 | VIZ Media premieres | Live screenings, panels and press events

**Interviews:** Yoshitaka Amano | Yoshino Aoyama | Yumeka Kido | Animation creators, voice talent and industry representatives

### EDUCATION

**San Diego State University** | B.A., Journalism and Media Studies; Minor, Creative Writing

Expected May 2027

**San Diego Mesa College** | A.A., Journalism and Media Studies, 2025; A.A., Communication, 2026

### HONORS & RECOGNITION

**Society of Professional Journalists:** Best Review & Editorial, 2025

**Journalism Association of Community Colleges:** Award recipient in feature writing and reviews

### SKILLS & COVERAGE

**Editorial:** AP style | News and feature writing | Interviews | Fact-checking | Copy editing | Reviews and criticism

**Visual & Digital:** Photojournalism | Canon DSLR | Event and convention coverage | Digital publishing | Social reporting

**Publication credits:** AnimeTV | The Daily Aztec | Mesa Press | Overwatch Cavalry