



# VANESSA REMMERS

## JOURNALIST

### ABOUT

Award-winning journalist who has spent the past seven years covering the lives of Virginians for regional and statewide publications, specializing in research and data-driven enterprise stories on a range of topics including education, environment, affordable housing and politics.

### AWARDS

Virginia Press Association honors for investigative, special section, government, education, general news, breaking news, public service, feature writing

Society of Professional Journalists Dateline Award

Named in New York Times List of Exemplary Examples of Local Journalism

Ishee-Quann Award for Media Excellence, Virginia Farm Bureau

### PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Knight Center for Journalism certificate: Investigative Reporting in the Digital Age

Knight Center for Journalism certificate: Social Media for Journalists

Virginia Press Association seminar: Census Bureau research

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### FREELANCE WRITER

Richmond and Fredericksburg publications | Sept 2018 - present

- Submitted multiple short and long-form stories weekly
- Covered business, education, cultural and political issues

#### METRO REPORTER

The Richmond Times-Dispatch | Oct 2016 - Sept 2018

- Earned state award for multimedia project on housing affordability
- Complete investigative projects on educational disparities, local aspects of national political trends, and environmental concerns

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The Free Lance-Star | Apr 2014 - Oct 2016

- Earned state awards for investigative work on disparity in school system and series on diminishing farmland
- Doubled social media following on multiple platforms

#### METRO REPORTER

The Progress-Index | Nov 2012 - Apr 2014

- Received state honors for series on strained public safety staff and feature writing
- Completed series on lack of resources for Hispanic residents in Dinwiddie County

### EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF ARTS, MAJOR IN ENGLISH AND HISTORY

College of William and Mary | 2012  
GPA 3.55