

# Joanna Nix

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## WRITING & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### **Writer/Editor**

Ria Health - San Francisco, CA (remote position) 09/2018-Present

- Edit and manage blog and social media for startup that treats alcoholism via smartphone app
- Pitch and write blog posts, delve into medical research on alcohol and its effect on the body and mind, turn research into easy-to-understand blog posts

### **Editorial Fellow**

*Mother Jones* Magazine - San Francisco, CA 06/2017 - 11/2017

- Pitched and wrote print and web articles for an award-winning national news magazine
- Rigorously fact-checked investigative articles for print and the web

### **Editorial Intern**

*Sierra* Magazine - Oakland, CA 01/2017 - 05/2017

- Wrote and researched online articles on a variety of environment-related topics for the magazine of the Sierra Club, the nation's oldest and largest grassroots environmental advocacy organization
- Rigorously fact-checked pieces for *Sierra's* bimonthly print magazine

### **Voter's Edge Researcher**

MapLight - Berkeley, CA 11/2015 - 01/2017

- Helped build Voter's Edge, a comprehensive, nonpartisan online voting guide for federal, state, and local-level elections in California, Illinois, and New York
- Drafted web copy detailing election operations in each of the three states we covered, edited copy for accessibility and accordance with AP Style, wrote email invites to candidates
- Tracked down lists of candidates and ballot measures in every county in Illinois and New York; entered those lists into our database and continuously re-checked them for accuracy

### **Assistant Editor, Research Assistant**

Schuster Institute for Investigative Journalism - Waltham, MA 05/2011 - 06/2015

- Managed four wrongful conviction investigations of the Justice Brandeis Law Project (JBLP) including that of Angel Echavarria, who was exonerated June 2015 after 21 years behind bars
- Conducted legal research via Lexis, PACER, court transcripts, and criminal records
- Supervised and assigned tasks to staff of 15 student research assistants, led weekly team meetings
- Drafted and edited press releases, fielded inquiries from journalists and attorneys

### **Yearbook Editor-in-Chief**

Concord-Carlisle High School - Concord, MA 05/2008-05/2010

- Designed every page of 250+ page yearbook, two years in a row, using Adobe InDesign
- Corrected proofs, wrote and edited copy, supervised staff of 10 students

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

**Skills:** Copy Editing (AP Style, Chicago Manual of Style), CMS (WordPress, Drupal), Adobe Creative Suite (InDesign, Photoshop, Premiere, Audition), Search Engine Optimization (SEO), Database Management (Toad for SQL), Microsoft Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel), Google Apps (Docs, Sheets), MailChimp, Photography (DSLR), Social Media (Facebook, Twitter)

**Interests:** Singing (college a cappella, sang at the Great American Music Hall in San Francisco), Theater (14 years experience), Travel (backpacked solo around Europe 01-05/18)

## EDUCATION

### **Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology; Minors, Journalism and Classics - May 2014**

Brandeis University - Waltham, MA

GPA 3.86, Magna Cum Laude

Recipient of the Richard Kaufman '58 Memorial Prize for Leadership and Academic Excellence

### **AMIDEAST: Area & Arabic Language Studies in Rabat, Morocco - Fall 2012**

- Taught and planned weekly English class of Moroccan teenagers
- Interned at the Moroccan Organization for Human Rights in Rabat
- Lived with Moroccan host family, traveled independently to more than 20 Moroccan cities