

ERIN NOLAN

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Work History

Freelance Journalist/Stringer, 06/2024 to Current

The New York Times – New York, NY

- Investigated New York State's efforts to combat loneliness among older adults using a robotic companion powered by artificial intelligence.
- Covered high-profile events including the Israel Day parade in Manhattan, congressional elections and a major heat wave.

Metro Fellow, 06/2023 to 06/2024

The New York Times – New York, NY

- Wrote and contributed coverage to numerous high-profile stories including the indictment of U.S. Sen. Robert Menendez, the Gilgo Beach serial killings and the criminal trial of Marvel actor Jonathan Majors.
- Regularly worked from the New York State Capitol in Albany and covered events like Gov. Kathy Hochul's state of the state address, budget hearings and political debates.
- Traveled throughout New York, New Jersey and Connecticut to cover fires, floods, major crimes and other breaking news events.
- Investigated complex issues including overcrowding at animal shelters, proposed changes to New York's method for distributing aid to school districts and the housing crisis in the Hudson Valley.
- Built strong relationships with sources including politicians, lawyers, activists and other public figures to gain access to exclusive information.

Investigative and Breaking News Reporter, 08/2021 to 06/2023

Gannett – Middletown, NY

- Worked independently and with a team of watchdog reporters across New York to investigate a variety of issues including how fatal interactions with police affect victims' loved ones, nursing home and home care staff shortages, and the lasting effects of urban renewal on the City of Newburgh.
- Used public records — especially 50-a police disciplinary records — to examine how government agencies perform, investigate news tips and uncover misconduct.
- Wrote primarily for The Times Herald-Record, The Journal News and The Poughkeepsie Journal.

Reporter, 10/2019 to 08/2021

North Of Boston Media Group – Derry, NH / Danvers, MA

- Reported on how an energy company kept plans to build a natural gas-powered plant in a residential community under wraps for more than five years. This sparked political campaigns and a regional debate about the future of fossil fuels.
- Uncovered allegations of hazing, racism and homophobia by members of the Danvers High School varsity hockey team. My reporting prompted national coverage and sparked institutional change.
- Wrote daily stories for The Eagle-Tribune and The Salem News.

Freelance Journalist and Photographer, 12/2018 to 08/2021

Self-employed

- Wrote people-focused stories about topics including the rise of evangelical megachurches in Boston, the Black Lives Matter movement, the impact of gentrification on immigrant and non-English speaking families in East Boston and the 2020 presidential primaries in New Hampshire.

Skills

- Interviewing, in person and over the phone
- Obtaining public records via FOIA/FOIL requests, PACER, etc.
- Courthouse reporting
- Social media including TikTok and Reddit
- Cultivating sources
- Digital and film photography

Education

Bachelor of Arts: Journalism (Political Science Minor), 2019

Emerson College - Boston, MA