

erin ryan

WORK EXPERIENCE

2002 -
PRESENT

FREELANCE WRITER & EDITOR

I get around. As a writer, copywriter and ghostwriter. As a technical and conceptual editor. As a teacher and consultant. My words have reached across the ocean and the places I've called home, through Travel + Leisure, Noisey and Guardian Labs all the way to Las Vegas Magazine and KNPR's Desert Companion. And I have created with incredible clients in the worlds of food and ethical fashion, disruptive medicine and educational travel, interior design and outdoor adventure, PR and poetry (and more).

MAY 2016 -
NOV. 2017

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, THE SUNDAY

Led a clutch team in producing the innovative weekly of the Pulitzer Prize-winning Las Vegas Sun. Worked across departments to build and execute substantial budgets, while prioritizing one-on-one development of content with staff writers, photographers and designers and a stable of freelancers. Contributed to news and lifestyle in the main book, as well as its B2B insert VEGAS INC and the Sun's website. Represented The Sunday at mentoring events, career days and conferences, raising the young magazine's profile and revenue opportunities. During my run, records were set for readership and awards for excellence and community impact.

NOV. 2014 -
MAY 2016

MANAGING EDITOR, LAS VEGAS WEEKLY

Oversaw production of market-leading magazine/website with fellow editors. Spearheaded cover story development and contributed content, from serious features to cheeky brights to anchors in service packages. Promoted the Weekly at events and on local television.

APRIL 2011 -
NOV. 2014

STAFF WRITER & TEAM EDITOR, LAS VEGAS WEEKLY

Covered everything from news and politics to food and music, while editing other copy for style and accuracy. Created award-winning column Lowball Diary, and helped host the magazine's show on local radio.

SEPT. 2008 -
APRIL 2011

COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST, BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

Covered the arts, humanities, sciences and engineering disciplines for all university publications, and wrangled media accordingly. Devised and crafted multimedia extras such as photo-rich blogs and short video features. Produced more than 30 percent of total office output of 400 media releases annually.

JULY 2007 -
SEPT. 2008

FEATURES REPORTER, IDAHO STATESMAN

Wrote for Life, Local and special sections, niche products and website of Southern Idaho's newspaper of record. Promoted content on ABC news affiliate, which led to an offer to work in broadcast.

OCT. 2005 -
JULY 2007

STAFF WRITER, THRIVE

Reinvented a stagnant weekly with a small team, winning top honors in the state that year. Created award-winning column And She Was.

OCT. 2002 -
OCT. 2005

STAFF WRITER & COPY EDITOR, BOISE WEEKLY

Wrote and edited copy for news, food, A&E, sports and health sections. Managed special sections such as Best of Boise and the holiday gift guide.

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TECH

Adobe InDesign,
InCopy, Acrobat Pro;
Ellington CMS

EDUCATION

BA in English, emphasis in Creative Writing

University of Puget Sound
Tacoma WA, May 2002
*Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa,
Phi Kappa Phi, Coolidge Otis
Chapman Honors Scholar*

AWARDS & HONORS

NEVADA PRESS ASSOCIATION

- #1 Explanatory Journalism (2019)
- #1 Special Section (editor/contributor) (2018)
- #1 General Excellence (editor/contributor) (2017)
- #1 Entertainment Writing (2015)
- #3 Local Column (2015)
- #3 Feature Story (2015)
- #1 Nonstaff Story (2014)
- #2 Explanatory Journalism (2014)
- #2 Nonstaff Story (2013)
- #2 Online Writing (2013)
- #2 Feature Story (2012)

SOCIETY OF PROF. JOURNALISTS

**Sigma Delta Chi Award
for Excellence**, Deadline
Reporting, Non-Daily Pub.
(editor/contributor) (2017)

BEST OF THE WEST

- #2 A&E Writing (2015)

IDAHO PRESS CLUB

- #1 A&E Reporting (2007)
- #2 General Column (2007)
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- #1 Special Section (2006)
- #2 Serious Feature Report (2006)
- #3 Rookie of the Year (2004)
- #3 Light Feature Report (2004)