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PROFILE

Published author with writing experience across multiple genres and disciplines. Journalism background in print, internet, and radio. Enthusiastic paid and volunteer worker in social justice campaigns, with emphasis on elections and racial justice. Initiative-taking extrovert who thrives remotely and loves being part of teams.

EXPERIENCE

AUTHOR – 2016-PRESENT

Wrote and published two comic non-fiction titles, *Sh*tty Mom For All Seasons (Abrams, 2026) and How to Leave: Quitting the City and Coping with a New Reality* (Bloomsbury, 2018). Completed debut novel (2020) of historical fiction. Currently writing romcom.

FREELANCE WRITER - 2008-PRESENT

Wrote and produced articles for online, public radio, and print media. Published range of writing, from research-based work to comic satire. Select list below.

PUBLIC RADIO PRODUCER - 2012-2015

Produced segments and shows for PRX's *To the Best of Our Knowledge*. Programming topics included racial identity, mental illness, and motherhood.

FACULTY MEMBER, BARD PRISON INITIATIVE – 2006-2009

Designed and taught seminar at Eastern Correctional Facility, New York State, and served as senior thesis advisor at Woodbourne Correctional Facility.

INSTRUCTOR, CUNY GRADUATE CENTER – 2007-2008

Designed and taught two sections of modern labor history to labor union interns.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, STONEHILL COLLEGE – 2003-2005

Tenure-track, courses in U.S. History, African American history, and World History.

AGENCY COORDINATOR, CITY OF NEW YORK - 2000-2003

Liaison for PeopleSoft HR product at agencies, including FDNY and Actuary. Interviewed personnel and communicated between consultants and city employees.

EDITORIAL AND RESEARCH ASSISTANT, NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO – 1992-1994

Interned for Nina Totenberg, produced for Morning Edition. Special projects included conducting interviews at SCOTUS and assisting Neal Conan on Richard Nixon obituary.

EDUCATION

- PhD, New York University American History, 2002.
- MA, New York University American History, 1997.
- AB, Stanford University History, Honors, 1991.

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

- · "Tidy Up Your Parenting," Emry's Journal, October 2019
- How to Leave (Bloomsbury), 2018
- * "The Most Relatable Insomnia Timeline Ever, "Real Simple Magazine, August 2017.
- · "Calling the Shots," Isthmus Magazine, May 2017
- Sh*tty Mom For All Seasons, with Alicia Ybarbo and Maryanne Zoellner, 2016.
- "Practice Test for Tweens, *Rumpus*, July 2015
- * "Still Life with Chairs, "Rumpus, February, 2015
- * "House of Corrections: Lessons from Behind Bars," America, September 2014
- "Growing Up Freudian, "To the Best of Our Knowledge, July 2014
- "The Problem South, "Book Review, The Journal of The Civil War Era, September 2013.
- "Wisconsin's Hops Renaissance, "Edible Mag, Summer, 2012.
- "Happy Birthday Joe Rollino, "*Gulf Stream Lit Magazine*, August, 2011.
- * "State of the Family," NPR's All Things Considered, January 25, 2011.
- "From Light Copper to the Blackest and Lowest Type: Daniel Tompkins and the Racial Order of the Global New South, "*Journal of Southern History*, May 2010.
- "Black Workers, White Immigrants, and the Postemancipation Problem of Labor, "in Global Perspectives on Industrial Transformation in the American South, edited by Susanna Delfino and Michelle Gillespie, University of Missouri Press, 2005.
- Beyond White and Black: History, Race, and the Challenges of (Studying) Culture, "*Radical History Review*, Spring, 1997.

SELECT VOLUNTEERISM & ACTIVISM

- Editorial Assistance, Urban Triage, 2021/Ongoing
- Social Justice Committee, Advisor, Project on Racial Covenants, 2021/Ongoing
- Food Delivery, Second Harvest, 2020
- Poll Worker, Madison, WI, 2020/Ongoing
- Phone bank Volunteer, Supermajority, 2018-2020
- Letter Writing Volunteer, VoteForward, 2018-2020

- Recreation Committee Member, Village of Shorewood Hills, 2019-2020
- Canvassing, phone banking, Hillary Clinton Campaign, 2015-2016
- Committee Director, Great Books Program, Shorewood Elementary School, 2014-2018.
- Referee, Journal of the History of the Civil War Era, 2014-2016.
- Assistant to Finance Committee, Shirley Abrahamson Campaign, 2009

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Writing Residency, St. Nell's Humor Writing Residency for Ladies, November 2021.
- Best Books List, Real Simple Magazine, 2018.
- First Place Lindemann Humor Prize, Wisconsin Writers Association, 2012.
- Finalist, Creative Nonfiction, Gulf Stream Magazine, 2011.
- · Postdoctoral Fellowship. 2002-2003. Center for Historical Analysis, Rutgers University.
- First Place. 2001, Memphis State Eight prize, University of Memphis
- Prize Teaching Fellowship, 2000 (declined). History Department, NYU.
- Margaret Brown Fellowship. 1999. History Department, NYU.
- Henry McCracken Fellowship. 1994-1998, Graduate School of Arts and Science, NYU