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Experience

Freelance writer and editor, 1994–present.

- **Books:** Wrote the text for *Photography: New Mexico*, a book of essays and images profiling 25 important contemporary New Mexico photographers, released by Fresco Fine Art Publications in August 2008.
- **Magazine and newspapers:** Over 100 articles about art, travel, and yoga/Buddhism published in international magazines and newspapers. Past contributing editor of *Yoga + Joyful Living* magazine and *Yoga Journal*. Wrote reviews of fine arts exhibitions for *THE magazine*, Santa Fe. Wrote weekly fine art reviews and features for *The Prague Post*. Other credits include *Shambhala Sun*, *Tricycle*, *The Dallas Morning News*, *The Denver Post*, *The New Orleans Times-Picayune*, *The Prague Post*, *The Sydney Morning Herald*, and *The Melbourne Age*. Articles translated into German, Czech, Norwegian, and Vietnamese.
- **Literary anthologies/journals:** Story anthologized in *The Best Women's Travel Writing 2008*. Poetry published in *Sequoia* and *American Poet*. Short prose pieces published in *The Sun*.
- **Business writing and editing:** Write and edit marketing copy, technical reports, and website content. Current clients include Fireman's Fund, Aplia, and Burton Group. Previous contracts include projects with Sun Microsystems, PeopleSoft, Oracle, and the Trust for Public Land.
- **Book editing:** Copy edited and proofread over 150 titles for nonfiction book publishers, including Addison Wesley, O'Reilly, Peachpit Press, Nolo Press, Foghorn, and Ten Speed Press.
- **Photography:** Dozens of photographs published to accompany my magazine and newspaper articles.

English teacher, Jan. 2002–August 2003. Taught English part-time to Thai teenagers and hilltribe orphans in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Education

B.A. with distinction from **Stanford University** in an individually designed major combining creative writing and studio art, 1989.

RSA/Cambridge certificate in TEFL (teaching English as a foreign language), July 2001. St. Giles language school, San Francisco.

Languages: Intermediate French; beginning Thai, Czech, and Spanish.

Travels: 30 countries on four continents. Lived abroad four years.

Activities and Honors

Founded the Editors Guild, a networking and resource group for editors in California's Bay Area with 75 active members.

Won awards for travel writing from Travelerstaes.com and the Book Passage Travel Writers Conference.

Academy of American Poets Prize.

Michael Jasper Gioia Poetry Prize.