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IN A NUTSHELL

Over the past decade, I've reported on Indigenous sovereignty, environmental justice, and grassroots movements both in Canada and abroad for print and digital outlets. I'm passionate about environmental storytelling, fact-checking, and bringing clarity and connection to every piece. At heart, I'm a collaborative spirit — an animal lover, novice camper and amateur drummer — who thrives working alongside teams passionate about community-driven journalism.

WHAT I BRING

- Copy Editing & Fact-Checking | CP Style Proficiency
- WordPress Publishing | SEO Optimization | Google Analytics | Google Drive
- Story Layout | Image Sourcing & Resizing | Photo Editing
- Trauma-Informed and Solutions Journalism Principles
- FOI Research & Public Records Analysis
- Bilingual: English and Spanish

EXPERIENCE

The Grind, Toronto, ON — *Senior Editor*

October 2022 - PRESENT

- Lead editor for News Section; copy edit, fact-check, and lay out stories for print and web
- Source and resize images; build newsletters; publish via WordPress with SEO strategies
- Expanded distribution to 300+ locations through community engagement

The Media Co-op, Toronto, ON and Regina, SASK — *Writer/Editor/Board Member*

2018 - PRESENT

- Produce and edit national features on environmental and social justice issues
- Manage newsletters, databases and social media outreach

New Canadian Media, Toronto, ON — *Assignments Editor/Mentor/Reporter*

September 2021 - March 2022

- Mentored journalists; edited and fact-checked articles for publication
- Built a remote editorial workflow system; contributed to CFJ Award-winning team

Additional Experience:

Community Reporter – Milton Reporter | Team Lead – eDecree | Night Editor – teleSUR English | Indigenous Affairs Journalist – Two Row Times

EDUCATION

M.A. in Journalism – University of Western Ontario (May 2013 - May 2014)

Hons. B.A. in Political Science – York University (September 2006 - June 2010)