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I am a writer specializing in science and nature.

Topics in ecology and the environment, natural history, evolution, and the life and earth sciences particularly fascinate me. While my writing spans a variety of scientific fields, it is not bounded by science alone.

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- **Writing and reporting:** Science news writing, feature writing, content writing; copy editing, developmental editing and knowledgeable in Associated Press style conventions. Making complex subjects understandable.
- **Science blogging & social media:** Maintaining a personal science blog, as well as blogging contractually for Research Triangle Park, N.C.; social media networking (Twitter, blogging, LinkedIn and Facebook).
- **Computer programs and CMS:** WordPress, Drupal, Microsoft Office programs, Adobe PhotoShop, Adobe GoLive, Adobe InDesign, AutoCAD and in-progress learning podcasting and various multimedia.
- **Hobbies:** Digital photography, competitive road cycling, swimming, kayaking and backpacking. Voracious reader of non-fiction, science news and natural resources management issues.
- **Travel:** Visited China, Brazil, Greece, Switzerland, France, Italy, Sicily and Canada under various conditions including working as a photographer, volunteering on a hospital boat, winning a design competition and studying.

EDUCATION

- **Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Ecology**, May 2008; Univ. of Florida: College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, School of Natural Resources and Environment. Degree program offered flexible training in journalism, ecology and natural resources management.
- **Bachelor of Design**, magna cum laude, 2000; Univ. of Florida: College of Architecture.

PROFESSIONAL AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

- **National Association of Science Writers:** (2007 - 2009) Professional member
- **Science Communicators of North Carolina:** (2008 - current) Member
- **Legacy Institute for Nature and Culture:** (2007 - current) Board member
- **Society for Environmental Journalists:** (2005 - 2006) Student member
- **Conservation Trust for Florida:** (2005 - current) Graphic design and editing for brochures
- **Adult Literacy League:** (2002 - 2003): Trained adult literacy tutor

EMPLOYMENT

- **Freelance science writer: Self-employed;** *October 2008—current; Graham, N.C.*

Responsibilities: Sole proprietor of freelance science writing business.

- *Main clients:* Duke University, Univ. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Science in the Triangle (Research Triangle Park) and the N.C. SMT Center.

- *Book project:* A natural history of eastern red wolves, in acquisition process with UNC Press.

- **Science writer: Emerging Pathogens Institute, Univ. of Florida;** *April 2008—current; Gainesville, Fla.*

Responsibilities: developing, writing and editing articles for the EPI website and internal UF publications; contributing to graphic redesign of website; performing outreach such as designing informational brochures; coordinating external media. www.epi.ufl.edu

- **Science writer: Fla. Museum of Natural History, Univ. of Florida;** *August 2006—October 2008; Gainesville, Fla.*

Responsibilities: producing deadline stories for member-edition of *Natural History Magazine* and for online *Science Stories*; editing and writing science news releases on research from 19 scientific divisions. www.flmnh.ufl.edu

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- *Notable:* Created *Science Stories* (www.flmnh.ufl.edu/sciencestories), a web platform utilizing the Florida Museum's status as the second-most visited University of Florida website.

- **Desert ecology communications intern: Center for Biological Diversity; Summer and Fall 2005; Tucson, Ariz.**
Responsibilities: Wrote opinion columns on ecological advocacy for newspapers in Calif., Ariz., Colo., and N.M. Researched and wrote reports and outreach materials.
- **Visiting lecturer: College of Design, Construction and Planning, Univ. of Florida; 2001, 2004 - 2005.**
Responsibilities: Lectured and developed content in four college courses: Introduction to Interior Design, Computer Applications in 3-D Design, Professional Practice of Interior Design, and Interior Architecture Studio II. Four cumulative semesters of teaching college.
- **Designer: Rogers, Lovelock and Fritz, Architects and Engineers; 2002 - 2003; Winter Park, Fla.**
Responsibilities: architectural drafting, selection and specification of finish materials. Clients: U.S. Army and Navy.
- **Designer: Powell Design Group, Inc.; Fall 2001; Orlando, Fla.**
Responsibilities: architectural drafting, selection and specification of finish materials. Clients: Doctors and multi-family housing developers.
- **Designer: Blakeslee Design Association, Inc.; 2000 - 2001; Orlando, Fla.**
Responsibilities: architectural drafting, selection and specification of finish materials. Clients: Corporate law offices, restaurant owners and facility managers.
- **Intern: DMC2 Architecture; 1999 - 2000; Gainesville, Fla.**
Responsibilities: architectural hand drafting, conversion of office to AutoCAD, maintenance of materials library.
- **Various paid and volunteer positions during high school; 1990 - 1994; Gainesville, Fla.**
Marine biology camp attendee and counselor, Cedar Key, Fla.; and FLMNH laboratory technician in the departments of ichthyology, invertebrate paleontology and vertebrate paleontology (specimen and fossil preparation).

REPRESENTATIVE PUBLICATIONS

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| - <i>EARTH</i> magazine (American Geological Inst.) | - <i>UMBC</i> magazine (Univ. of Maryland) |
| - <i>Birder's World</i> magazine (Due out in 2010) | - <i>N.C. Science, Mathematics and Technology Education Center newsletter</i> |
| - <i>Explore</i> magazine (Univ. of Florida) | - <i>Science Stories</i> (Fla. Museum of Natural history) |
| - <i>Carolina Arts & Sciences</i> magazine (Univ. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill) | - <i>Institute of Maya Studies Newsletter</i> |
| - <i>Kellogg Insight</i> , (Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University) | - <i>Arizona Republic</i> |
| - <i>PSU Research</i> (Pennsylvania State Univ.) | - <i>Tucson Citizen</i> |
| - <i>Natural History</i> magazine (Florida Museum of Natural History member edition) | - <i>Arizona Daily Star</i> |
| - <i>Orlando Sentinel</i> (Travel feature) | - <i>East Valley Tribune</i> |
| - <i>Lob Down on Science</i> radio program (California Institute of Technology) | - <i>Riverside-Press Enterprise</i> |
| | - <i>San Bernardino County Sun</i> |
| | - <i>Albuquerque Journal</i> |
| | - <i>Gainesville Sun</i> |

WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

- **Science Online 2010:** Will attend Jan. 15-17, 2010 in Raleigh, N.C.
- **Carnivores 2009, Carnivore Conservation in a Changing World:** will attend November 15-18, Denver, Colo.
- **2009 North Carolina Science Summit: Best Practices in STEM Education:** (April 19-20) Cary, N.C.
- **Science Writers 2008, National Association of Science Writers:** (October 24-28) Palo Alto, Calif.
- **13th Santa Fe Science Writers Workshop:** (May 2008, six days) Santa Fe, N.M.
- **Carnivores 2006, Defenders of Wildlife biennial conference:** (October, three days) St. Petersburg, Fla.
- **Society for Environmental Journalists Conference 2005:** (August, four days) Austin, Texas