## SARAH A. MCCARTY

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Freelance Copy Editor Feb. 2012 - present

Grainger Today Newspaper Bean Station, TN

- Copy-edit and proofread the entire paper, 35 to 50 pages each week
- Write headlines and photo captions as needed

#### Contributing Writer Nov. 2011 - present

Relix Magazine New York, NY

- Write album reviews for print publication
- Pitch and write articles on emerging bands

#### Editorial Intern Jan. 2011 - Nov. 2011

Relix Magazine New York, NY

- Wrote news stories, profiles, album reviews and features
- Fact-checked and edited articles and transcribed interviews
- Managed 2011 Festival Guide, reporting on more than 100 events

#### Festival Staff Writer May 2011 - June 2011

The Post and Courier Newspaper Charleston, SC

- Wrote feature articles on arts events at Spoleto Festival USA
- Wrote previews and overnight reviews on theatre and music productions
- Shot and edited video stories for the publication's website
- Contributed to daily blogs and used social media to engage the community

#### Content Producer June 2010 - June 2011

TheNewsHouse.com (student publication) Syracuse, NY

- Wrote feature articles on the Syracuse University community
- Wrote concert previews and reviews
- Uploaded stories with links and tags to CMS
- Shot and edited video stories and created multimedia story packages
- Edited and prepared packages for 2010 Photojournalism Fall Workshop

#### Editorial Intern Sept. 2010 - Dec. 2010

International Musician, Journal of the AFM Syracuse, NY

- Researched and interviewed classical, country, blues and jazz musicians
- Wrote 700-word musician profiles in the style of the publication

#### Community Editor May 2007 - June 2010

Grainger Today Newspaper Bean Station, TN

- Contributed to all editorial decisions, such as story placement and photos
- Generated front-page news and in-depth feature articles
- Supervised regular freelance writers and edited their stories
- Coordinated workflow between editorial, graphics and pagination
- Edited obituaries, crime reports, calendar items, letters and press releases
- Acted as a liaison to the community and handled calls from the public
- Proofread and fact-checked articles

#### Editorial Intern Aug. 2006 - Feb. 2007

Atlanta Magazine Atlanta, GA

- Fact-checked articles and researched for all departments
- Interviewed sources and wrote short articles for the website

### **SKILLS**

## Reporting, Writing and Editing

News Briefs/ Articles
In-Depth, Longform Features
Profiles and Q&As
FoB Blurbs
Arts Coverage
Reviews and Previews
Obituaries
AP Style
Research, Fact-Checking

#### **Multimedia and Computer**

Line-Editing, Copy-Editing

Adobe InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop Blogging Platforms, Wordpress, CMS Social Media, Twitter, Facebook DSLR Photography, Video Final Cut Express, Audacity LexisNexis Windows/ Mac OS Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook PowerPoint

## **EDUCATION**

Syracuse University Syracuse, NY S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications Master of Arts Goldring Arts Journalism GPA: 3.95, June 2011

The University of Tennessee Knoxville, TN Bachelor of Science Journalism and Electronic Media Minor: Cinema Studies Magna Cum Laude, May 2006

## **ACADEMIC HONORS**

Kappa Tau Alpha Honor Society Goldring Arts Merit Fellowship Karl A. and Madira Bickel Scholarship Escar Thompson Memorial Award Simpson, Carlos C & W Award

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