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CURRICULUM VITAE

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Freelance writing specialist with formal education in technical, creative, and academic styles offers writing and editing services that help businesses succeed. Also offers private tutoring sessions to teen and adult students needing to improve writing skills and apply for higher education programs. Possesses advanced command of the English language and its rules of grammar, combined with teaching experience and a knack for business marketing. Eager to serve native English speakers and ESL folks. Works with those from around the globe via phone, email, Skype, and Zoom.

FORMAL EDUCATION

Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing Areas of Concentration: Nonfiction and Memoir The University of Tampa, Tampa, Florida Distinction: Outstanding Graduate	May 2014
Bachelor of Arts in English Areas of Concentration: Professional and Technical Writing University of South Florida, Sarasota, Florida Distinction: Cum Laude, 3.91 GPA	May 2011
Associate in Arts Areas of Concentration: Liberal Arts and Sciences Manatee Community College, Bradenton, Florida Distinction: President's List, 4.00 GPA	May 2009

PUBLICATIONS AND PROJECTS

Articles – Human Interest

"Mr. Humphrey Turns 102!" <i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 16, Issue 04 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 44 of 48	April 2023
"Community Comes Together to Help WWII Vet Achieve a Goal" <i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 12 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 53 of 56 <i>San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas</i> edition, page 43 of 48	Dec. 2022
". . . Cynthia Saben's 5 th Annual Breakfast in the Park" <i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 10 <i>San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas</i> edition, page 34 of 40	Oct. 2022
"Rotarian Pat Mulvihill Serving Country and Community" <i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 07 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 39 of 44 <i>San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas</i> edition, page 31 of 36	July 2022

Articles – Informative Features

"No Age Limit: Toy Stores Focus on Nostalgia and Mystery to Appeal . . ." <i>Mountain Xpress</i> of Western North Carolina, Volume 30, Issue 19 spread pages 14-15 of 48	Dec. 2023
"Assumption Catholic School Celebrates 100 Years" <i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 16, Issue 03 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 46 of 52 <i>San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas</i> edition, page 35 of 44	March 2023
"Drew and Scooter Cavins Retire, but the Mossfire Legend Continues" <i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 16, Issue 01 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, pages 26-27 of 44	Jan. 2023
"Joe Barrow Takes the Governance Helm of Baptist Health" <i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 07 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 10 of 44 <i>San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas</i> edition, page 8 of 36	July 2022

Articles – Spirituality

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| "Remembering Oneness" in <i>Day Spring</i> international newsletter | June 2011 |
| "Aha!" in USFSM 2010-2011 Capstone Project Archives | May 2011 |

Blog Posts - Spirituality

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| <i>Everyday Enlightenment</i> at marywanser.blogspot.com | June 2011-Dec. 2012 |
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Business Profiles / Advertorials

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| Pier 21 Realty
<i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 16, Issue 04
Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, page 29 of 48
San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 27 of 44 | April 2023 |
| Mission Power
<i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 10
San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 25 of 40 | Oct. 2022 |
| Pine Castle
<i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 09
Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, page 25 of 44
San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 25 of 44 | Sept. 2022 |
| Dr. Balbona
<i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 09
Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, page 28 of 44
San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 19 of 44 | Sept. 2022 |

In Memoriams

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| Mary Virginia Terry
<i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 12
Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 43 of 56
San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 46 of 48 | Dec. 2022 |
| David Foerster
<i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 15, Issue 01
Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 46 of 48
San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 38 of 40 | Jan. 2022 |
| Joe Joseph
<i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 14, Issue 11
Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 46 of 48
San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 38 of 40 | Nov. 2021 |
| Bart Colbert
<i>Resident Community News</i> , Volume 14, Issue 09
Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 38 of 48
San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 30 of 40 | Sept. 2021 |

Keepsake Books

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| <i>A Window into the Past</i> | Dec. 2021 |
| <i>The Game</i> | Aug. 2021 |

Magazine Spreads

Circles Social Datebook and Charity Register

Northeast Florida's premier nonprofit and philanthropy magazine

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| "Help & Hope: The Current Crisis of Homelessness in Northeast Florida" Volume 8, pages 16-26 of 139 | Jan. 2023 |
| "Persevering Through Crisis" Volume 7, pages 22-24 of 118 | Feb. 2022 |
| "Genderosity: The Difference Between Men and Women in Giving" Volume 6, pages 87-91 of 118 | Jan. 2021 |
| "Many Passions, One Purpose: First Coast Difference Makers" Volume 5, pages 46-54 of 186 | Nov. 2019 |

Historic Life - a newcomer's guide to the historical neighborhoods of Jacksonville, Florida

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| "Six Reasons to Love It Here: Welcome to the Historic Districts of Jacksonville" Volume 8, pages 6-11 of 102 | Nov. 2022 |
| "Looking Back, Looking Forward" Volume 7, pages 21-57 of 106 | July 2021 |

Newspaper Columns

Resident Community News – a Jacksonville, Florida community publication

“Local Folks” biographical stories based on live interviews, monthly since April 2021

Dr. Azi Yavari, Volume 17, Issue 01 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 29 of 48	Jan. 2024
Erica Lovelace, Volume 16, Issue 11 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 43 of 52	Nov. 2023
Mike Kovacs, Volume 16, Issue 10 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 32 of 48	Oct. 2023
Laura Lothman Lambert, Volume 16, Issue 10 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 32 of 48	Oct. 2023

“The Way We Were” biographical stories based on live interviews with seniors, monthly August 2020 through September 2023

Dick Barker, Volume 16, Issue 08 Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, pages 40-41 of 44 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, pages 40-41 of 44	Aug. 2023
Phyllis Geiger, Volume 16, Issue 07 Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, page 42 of 44 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 38 of 40	July 2023
Bill and Barbara Ketchum, Volume 16, Issue 05 Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, page 46 of 48 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, pages 40-41 of 44	May 2023
Mary Virginia Skinner Jones, Volume 16, Issue 04 Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, page 45 of 48 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 40 of 44	April 2023

Sparta Independent – a community publication serving Sussex County, New Jersey

“Ask the Expert” a five-article series of answers based on readers’ questions posed to the tutoring expert **July-Aug. 2018**

Personal Memoir

“To Anonymous A” essay in an online magazine <i>Feminine Collective</i>	Mar. 2016
“Enchained” essay in a women’s print anthology <i>My Other Ex: Women’s True Stories of Leaving and Losing Friends</i>	Sept. 2014
“Things I Wasn’t Supposed to Say: A Mosaic Memoir” full-length manuscript as master’s thesis	Dec. 2013

Poetry / Jingles

Marketing video written, produced, and performed for The Grace Financial Group	Jan. 2018
“you hear swift feet patter down the staircase” untitled poem in USFSM 2010-2011 Capstone Project Archives	May 2011

Press Releases

“The Florida Real Estate School Hosts Grand Opening” <i>Resident Community News</i> Volume 16, Issue 04 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 22 of 48 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 17 of 44	April 2023
“Leadership Jacksonville Honors Three Outstanding Community Leaders” <i>Resident Community News</i> Volume 15, Issue 06 Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 15 of 52 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 10 of 44	June 2022
“Welcome, Peaceful Praise! A New Minister Takes the Pulpit at Unity of Sussex County” in multiple media outlets online and in print	Jan. 2021
“Sparta High School Graduate Publishes Third Book” <i>Sparta Independent</i> , Vol. 36, No. 21 <i>New Jersey Herald</i> , May 21, 2020 issue	May 2020

Technical Projects

Pitch decks aimed at financial investors – Proofread, edit, and offer feedback on multi-page pitch decks designed by venture capitalist clients.	2022–present
Patent submission – Revised an inventor’s claim for a US patent.	2015
Syllabi for education courses – Designed syllabi for community college composition classes to meet state-required objectives.	2014-2015
Pawn regulations legal proposal – Initiated Kathleen’s Cause by sketching a 17-page legal proposal that led to a statewide movement to enact legislation change.	2010

Website Pages

Digital portfolio and website at www.MaryWanser.com	2014-present
Website design, content assistance, and ongoing maintenance for www.JohnDWilliams.attorney	Nov. 2019-Nov. 2021
Web design, content, and maintenance for www.TheGraceFinancialGroup.com	Oct. 2018-Feb. 2021
Refresh of design, layout, and navigation for www.MarinaAntropowCramer.com	Oct. 2019

SPEAKING ACTIVITIES

Public reading of personal essays, monthly at Black Dog Books in Newton, New Jersey	Feb.-Oct. 2019
Public readings (3) of original poetry at various venues in Milford, Pennsylvania at annual Readers and Writers Festival	Sept. 2019
Q&A Panel Discussion for The University of Tampa’s Master of Fine Arts Program	Jan. 2017
Commencement address at the inaugural hooding ceremony of The University of Tampa’s Master of Fine Arts Program	Jan. 2014
Public reading of personal memoir at Reeves Theatre in Tampa, Florida	Jan. 2014
Guest lecture about career goals and job opportunities for writing program graduates at the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee	Mar. 2012

INSTRUCTIONAL EXPERIENCE

Private Tutor, Writing Consultant, and Copy Editor Customized Lesson Design, English and related disciplines, teens and adults, globally online	July 2012-present
Certified Tutor Customized Lesson Design Subjects: ACT, English, grammar, PowerPoint, proofreading, reading, SAT, study skills, vocabulary, and writing WyzAnt, Incorporated, national registry	Jan. 2012-present
Online Writing Tutor Student submission acceptance and review Pearson’s Smarthinking, Inc., Washington, DC	Sept. 2015-Jan. 2017
Substitute Teacher Various subject areas, grades 6-11 State College of Florida Collegiate School, public prep, Bradenton, Florida	Oct. 2012-Sept. 2016
Adjunct College Professor Language and Literature Department State College of Florida, public community, Bradenton, Florida	Aug. 2014-Dec. 2015
Seminar Leader “Chronology in Memoir: Sequencing Events,” graduate students The University of Tampa, private campus, Tampa, Florida	Jan. 2014
Substitute Teacher English camp for international students, ages 14-19 IMG Pendleton School, University and Language Center, private academy, Bradenton, Florida	July-Aug. 2012
Assistant Teacher Individual tutoring, test proctoring, junior and high school groups IMG Pendleton School, Learning Resource Center, private academy, Bradenton, Florida	Feb.-June 2012

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

The University of Tampa MFA Alumni Chapter	Jan. 2014-present
National Alumni Association, The University of Tampa	Jan. 2014-present
Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society	2010-present
Alliance of Divine Love (ordained minister)	May 2006-present
Central Sussex County Chamber Council	Feb. 2019-Jan. 2022
Sussex County Chamber of Commerce	Feb. 2019-Jan. 2022
The Society of Professional Obituary Writers	Apr. 2018-Mar. 2019
The Knot Pro Network (custom writer of wedding material)	Feb. 2018-Feb. 2019
Association of Writers and Writing Programs	Jan. 2014-Dec. 2017
National Tutoring Association	Aug. 2013-Aug. 2016

SERVICE POSITIONS

Annual Member of The Friends of the Ormond Beach Library, a non-profit organization	June 2021-present
Sunday School Teacher at Unity Church of Daytona Beach	Oct. 2022-Sept. 2023
Meeting Facilitator at Project WARM (Women Assisting Recovering Mothers)	Nov. 2021-Feb. 2023
Contributing Member of the Transformation Team at Unity Church of Sussex County	May 2020-Mar. 2021
Preparer and Server at Manna House, a soup kitchen in Newton, New Jersey	Oct. 2018-Feb. 2021
Advisory Board Member of The University of Tampa Alumni Association's MFA chapter	Jan. 2017-Jan. 2021
Academic Mentor with UnidosNow Future Leaders Academy for college-bound youth	July 2014-April 2018
Founding President of The University of Tampa Alumni Association's MFA chapter	Jan. 2014-Jan. 2017

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Best of Newton Award in the Tutor category	Mar. 2022
Top 10% Tutor for 2020	Jan. 2021
Sussex County Chamber of Commerce Professional Development Scholarship	Nov. 2019
Outstanding Graduate, The University of Tampa	Jan. 2014