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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

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| 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

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| "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

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| "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

- "Remembering Oneness" in *Day Spring* international newsletter **June 2011**
- "Aha!" in USFSM 2010-2011 Capstone Project Archives **May 2011**

Blog Posts - Spirituality

- Everyday Enlightenment* at marywanser.blogspot.com **June 2011-Dec. 2012**

Business Profiles / Advertorials

- Pier 21 Realty **April 2023**
Resident Community News, 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
- Mission Power **Oct. 2022**
Resident Community News, Volume 15, Issue 10
 San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 25 of 40
- Pine Castle **Sept. 2022**
Resident Community News, 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
- Dr. Balbona **Sept. 2022**
Resident Community News, 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

In Memoriams

- Mary Virginia Terry **Dec. 2022**
Resident Community News, 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
- David Foerster **Jan. 2022**
Resident Community News, 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
- Joe Joseph **Nov. 2021**
Resident Community News, 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
- Bart Colbert **Sept. 2021**
Resident Community News, 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

Keepsake Books

- A Window into the Past* **Dec. 2021**
- The Game* **Aug. 2021**

Magazine Spreads

- Asheville Made* – celebrating local makers of art in Western North Carolina
- "The Fringe of the Fringe: Asheville Print Studio + Gallery Continues to Buck the System" May/June 2024, pages 40-43 of 74 **May 2024**
- Circles Social Datebook and Charity Register*
 Northeast Florida's premier nonprofit and philanthropy magazine
- "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**
- Historic Life* - a newcomer's guide to the historical neighborhoods of Jacksonville, Florida
- "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 **Jan. 2024**

San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 29 of 48

Erica Lovelace, Volume 16, Issue 11 **Nov. 2023**

Riverside-Avondale-Ortega-Murray Hill edition, page 43 of 52

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

Dick Barker, Volume 16, Issue 08 **Aug. 2023**

Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, pages 40-41 of 44

San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, pages 40-41 of 44

Phyllis Geiger, Volume 16, Issue 07 **July 2023**

Riverside-Ortega-Avondale-Murray Hill edition, page 42 of 44

San Jose-San Marco-St. Nicholas edition, page 38 of 40

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 *Feminine Collective* **Mar. 2016**

“Enchained” essay in a women’s print anthology *My Other Ex: Women’s
True Stories of Leaving and Losing Friends* **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” **April 2023**
Resident Community News 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

“Leadership Jacksonville Honors Three Outstanding Community Leaders” **June 2022**
Resident Community News 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

“Welcome, Peaceful Praise! A New Minister Takes the Pulpit at Unity of Sussex County” **Jan. 2021**
in multiple media outlets online and in print

“Sparta High School Graduate Publishes Third Book” **May 2020**

Sparta Independent, Vol. 36, No. 21

New Jersey Herald, May 21, 2020 issue

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

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| 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

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| 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

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| 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

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| Editorial Freelancers Association | Feb. 2024-present |
| 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
The Knot Pro Network (custom writer of wedding material)
Association of Writers and Writing Programs
National Tutoring Association

Apr. 2018-Mar. 2019
Feb. 2018-Feb. 2019
Jan. 2014-Dec. 2017
Aug. 2013-Aug. 2016

SERVICE POSITIONS

Annual Member of The Friends of the Ormond Beach Library, a non-profit organization
Sunday School Teacher at Unity Church of Daytona Beach
Meeting Facilitator at Project WARM (Women Assisting Recovering Mothers)
Contributing Member of the Transformation Team at Unity Church of Sussex County
Preparer and Server at Manna House, a soup kitchen in Newton, New Jersey
Advisory Board Member of The University of Tampa Alumni Association's MFA chapter
Academic Mentor with UnidosNow Future Leaders Academy for college-bound youth
Founding President of The University of Tampa Alumni Association's MFA chapter

June 2021-present
Oct. 2022-Sept. 2023
Nov. 2021-Feb. 2023
May 2020-Mar. 2021
Oct. 2018-Feb. 2021
Jan. 2017-Jan. 2021
July 2014-April 2018
Jan. 2014-Jan. 2017

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Best of Newton Award in the Tutor category
Top 10% Tutor for 2020
Sussex County Chamber of Commerce Professional Development Scholarship
Outstanding Graduate, The University of Tampa

Mar. 2022
Jan. 2021
Nov. 2019
Jan. 2014

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