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WRITER • EDITOR • CONTENT DEVELOPER

Versatile writer, editor, and content developer published in The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, New York magazine, Chronicle of Philanthropy, and other national outlets • Expertise in philanthropy, edtech, personal finance, religion, gender, extremism, and social movements • Thrives in purpose-driven environments which value storytelling and its power to inform and enlighten • Devoted to countering the counterfactual through deeply sourced information and engaging prose.

SKILLS & DIGITAL TOOLS

Writing • Editing • Deep Research • Narrative Non-Fiction • Public Speaking • Essay Writing & Coaching • Editorial Content Development & Editing • SEO Optimized Writing • Ghostwriting in Diverse Voices • Thought Leadership • Writing Successful Non-Profit Grant Proposals • Newsletter Writing & Editing • Book chapters on Spirituality, Infertility, Judaism for Christians, and September 11th. • Blogging • Expertise on Israel and the Middle East, trends in American Jewish Life and on extremist ideological groups and strategies.
Digital Tools: CMS • Wix • Zoom • Slack • MS Office • Google Suite • FOIL

PROFESSIONAL DISTINCTIONS

Winner of multiple journalism awards 1990-2022 • Reporting innovator breaking important stories including first to report on clergy sexual abuse in the Jewish community, in a year-long project (1996) and Republican leadership funding from anti-LGBTQ evangelical group for Israel travel (2015) • Featured Guest, MSNBC's The Rachel Maddow Show, MSNBC's Road Map, PBS's Religion & Ethics Newsweekly • Lilly Endowment fellowship for series on Women in Ministry, carried by major metro dailies coast to coast (1994) • Author, "Celebrating Your New Jewish Daughter: Creating Jewish Ways to Welcome Baby Girls into the Covenant," the only book on creating rituals to welcome daughters

JOURNALISM 1990-Present

Investigative, feature writing and breaking news

- Contributing Writer, The Forward newspaper 2009-present.
- Contributing Writer, Hadassah magazine, 2017-present
- Philanthropy Correspondent, Jewish Insider 2019-present
- New York Correspondent, Haaretz 2012-2019
- Staff Writer, New York Jewish Week 2000-2008
- Staff Writer, JTA 1990-2000

CONTENT DEVELOPMENT

- North Canyon Media, 2022. Writer for education and life-skills-focused startup platform
- Noodle Partners, 2021-2022. Ghostwriter of speeches, reports, and articles for CEO of edtech startup focused on digital higher education
- Hadassah, 2019-2021. Ghostwriter of published columns for CEO & CMO
- Eden Village Camp & other non-profits. 2015-2021. Researcher and writer of successful grant proposals

EDUCATION

Drisha Institute, Arts Fellowship
New York University B.A. Middle Eastern Religion, Sociology & Economics
Tel Aviv University