Robyn Jones

Reporter

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SUMMARY

Freelance journalist and photographer with 3 years of experience covering stories rooted in community, culture, education, and social justice in Stockton, California. As a contributor to Stocktonia News Service, I spotlight underrepresented voices and local issues through in-depth reporting and visual storytelling. Skilled in interviewing, research, and photography, I aim to inform, engage, and empower readers through impactful, people-centered journalism.

EXPERIENCE

Freelance Journalist - Stockton, CA

June 2021 - PRESENT

- Report on Community News
- Pitch stories about local news within Stockton, CA

Burnett Therapeutic Services - Registered Behavioral Technician

November 2024 - PRESENT

- Provide 1:1 behavioral support to children with autism or other disabilities.
- Collaborate with Supervisors and families to develop the best care and behavioral plans for each client.

The Campus Times - Sports Editor

August 2022 - December 2022

- Communicated with editors and supervisor about layout plans and assignments.
- Pitched story ideas at weekly meetings
- Assigned story pitches to staff members based primarily on their listed interests and writing strengths.
- Curated attention-grabbing headlines and summaries to increase engagement.
- Oversaw work from my team of staff writers.
- Proofread and fact-checked information within articles.

 Utilized SEO techniques to optimize content for search engine rankings..

The Campus Times - Staff Writer

January 2022 - May 2022

- Wrote and submitted articles about the Community, Arts, and Greek Life.
- Pitched community-based stories.
- Proofread and fact-checked information within articles.
- Utilized SEO techniques to optimize content for search engine rankings.
- Worked with editors and an advisor to produce the best versions of my articles

LaVerne Magazine - Staff Writer

August 2022 - December 2022

- Served as a staff writer for the Spring semester, producing the Winter magazine edition.
- Wrote and submitted two articles highlighting my COVID-19 silver lining and how the black community navigates racism within an academic environment.
- Built strong connections with sources to gain information and trust.
- Adhered to legal standards to maintain credibility
- Pitched trending stories to capture viewership
- Worked with editors to curate the magazine Layout
- Worked with photographers to capture images for stories

The Collegian - Opinion Editor

August 2020 - May 2021

- Communicated with editors and supervisor about layout plans and assignments.
- Pitched story ideas at weekly meetings
- Assigned story pitches to staff members based primarily on their listed interests and writing strengths.
- Curated attention-grabbing headlines and summaries to increase engagement.
- Oversaw work from 5 staff writers bi-weekly
- Proofread and fact-checked information within articles.
- Utilized SEO techniques to optimize content for search engine rankings.
- Contributed and edited a special section about the COVID-19 pandemic.

Pulse of 209 - Photojournalist

January 2020 - May 202

- Pitched stories at weekly meetings.
- Produced podcasts remotely during the shelter-in-place order.
- Self-edited my podcasts and videos remotely.
- Followed all Social distancing and sanitization rules while interviewing and reporting.

The Collegian - Staff Writer

August 2019 - May 2020

- Communicated with editors and supervisor about layout plans and assignments.
- Pitched story ideas at weekly meetings
- Assigned story pitches to staff members based primarily on their listed interests and writing strengths.
- Curated attention-grabbing headlines and summaries to increase engagement.
- Oversaw work from my team of staff writers.
- Proofread and fact-checked information within articles.
- Utilized SEO techniques to optimize content for search engine rankings.
- Photographed images and curated photo captions.

EDUCATION

The University of La Verne, La Verne, CA - BA in Journalism

August 2021 - May 2023

San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton, CA - AA in Journalism

August 2019 - June 2021