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SUMMARY

- Science communicator
- Strong interviewing skills
- Speak the language of science and the language of everyday people
- Science degree (bachelor's in physics)
- Ability to condense complex ideas into clear, concise and engaging explanations
- Over 15 years experience in radio

PRINT WRITING & EDITING

- Managing Editor, *Jackson School of Geosciences Newsletter*, annual magazine for alumni, faculty and students. 2006-Present
- "The Little Robot That Could," *StarDate Magazine*, Nov/Dec 2007.
- "Challenges of Communicating Scientific Research on the Radio," Creating Connections, Altamira Press, 2004.
- "Cleaning Up after the War," *Scientific American*, October, 2003.
- "From Medical Museum to Science Showcase," *Scientific American Explorations*, Spring 2000.
- "The Universe in Your Hands," *Mercury* (the Journal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific), Summer 1997.
- Managing Editor, *Earth in the Classroom*, biannual teacher's booklet co-produced by Earth & Sky Inc. and the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. 1995-1999

ONLINE WRITING & EDITING

- Contributing Editor, Jackson School of Geosciences web site. Write features, scientist profiles and news releases. Build audio slideshows. Select imagery for online pieces. Corodinate repurposing of content on external web sites. 2006-Present
- Contributing Editor, "Earth & Sky Online" web site. Write articles, scientist profiles, news bulletins and interviews. Select images for online pieces. 1995-2006
- Coordinator, "Young Illustrators Contest." 1999-2000

RADIO WRITING, PRODUCING, VOICING

Austin Information Radio, Austin, TX 2007-2008

- Reader, read from newspapers and magazines for the visually impaired. Fill weekly, one-hour time slot.

RADIO (cont'd)

Loh Down on Science, Pasadena, CA

2006

- Freelancer, wrote two-minute segment titled "Sexy Flowers" for CalTech radio series.

Earth & Sky Radio Program, Austin, TX

1995-2006

- Senior Writer/Producer, daily science radio series *Earth & Sky*. Researched, wrote and edited daily program scripts. Used digital audio recording equipment to record interviews. Wrote over 500 radio pieces and interviewed over 1,000 scientists. *Earth & Sky* heard by millions of listeners on 1,000 U.S. radio stations; Sirius and XM satellite radio networks ; and internationally on Voice of America, American Forces Radio and Radio for Peace International.
- Co-Writer/Producer, "Human World" series. 2004-2006
- Lead Writer/Producer, "Edge of Discovery" series. 1999-2005
- Lead Writer/Producer, "Women in Science" series. 2000-2003
- Lead Writer/Producer, "EarthCare" series. 2000-2002
- Co-Director/Writer, "Chemistry for the Future" series. 2000-2001
- Lead Writer/Producer, "Landmarks in 20th Century Science" series. 1999-2000

Kids Earth & Sky Radio Program, Austin, TX

1997-1998

- Writer/Co-producer, science program for children aged 5 to 10.

Guildford Campus Radio, Guildford, England

1990-1991

- Disc Jockey for radio station at the University of Surrey in England. Played music and dropped in hourly news feed in weekly, two-hour time slot.

MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

- Co-Director, "Earth & Sky/NASA Radio Broadcast Fellowship." Trained and supervised fellows in the art of science writing and radio production. 2000-2003
- Freelance Supervisor, Assigned topics & edited work of freelance writers. 1999-2004

HONORS & AWARDS

- **Council for Advancement and Support of Education**, District IV Awards. Grand Award (Gold) for Medical/Scientific News Writing. 2008
- **Council for Advancement and Support of Education**, District IV Awards. Award of Excellence (Silver) for Medical/Scientific Writing Collections. 2008
- **Marine Biological Laboratory**, Science Journalism Fellowship, Environmental Focus. Woods Hole, Massachusetts and Toolik Lake, Alaska. Summer 2006
- **National Science Board**, Public Service Award to entire *Earth & Sky* team for

"achievement in broadcasting explanations of research and everyday science to a worldwide audience." *2003*

- **National Science Foundation**, Member of U.S. delegation to Japan, "Third Conference on U.S.-Japan Public Understanding of Science and Research." Represented radio producers for panel of science communicators. Gave presentation to U.S. and Japanese colleagues: "Challenges of Communicating Scientific Research on the Radio." *2003*
- **Marine Biological Laboratory**, Science Journalism Fellowship, Biomedical Focus. Woods Hole, Massachusetts. *1997*
- **American Chemical Society**, Science Reporter's Fellowship, Washington, D.C. *1996*
- **University of Surrey**, Award for Best Physics Laboratory Work. *1992*

AFFILIATIONS

National Association of Science Writers *1997-Present*

EDUCATION

- **University of North Texas**, Denton, Texas. B.S., Physics. Honors Program involving advanced study in humanities. *1993*
- **University of Surrey**, Guildford, England. Academic Year Exchange Program. *1991-1992*