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WORK EXPERIENCE

A Baseball Gaijin: Chasing a Dream to Japan and Back, Author/Reporter Los Angeles, CA (5/16-Present)
• Wrote and sold a thoroughly reported, inspiring and culturally rich narrative nonfiction story centered around an American pitcher's exhilarating, six-year Japanese odyssey that led him to the major leagues.
• Out in June 2024, it will be published by Skyhorse Publishing and distributed by Simon & Schuster.
• An early excerpt was named a finalist in Cobalt Press' Earl Weaver Baseball Writing contest.

On the NBA Beat Podcast, Co-Founder/Host/Producer LA/Carlsbad, CA (10/15-Present)
• Conduct interviews of NBA team reporters and personalities (120 unique guests, including many writers from The Athletic, including Eric Nehm, Jovan Buha and Law Murray); edit audio with Audacity

Freelance Book Editor Los Angeles, CA (6/15-Present)
• Edited Paul Knepper's full-length "The Knicks of the Nineties," which directly led to the opportunity to edit David Ostrowsky's Roberto Alomar biography released in February 2024
• Provided extensive content and copy edits for "As Flowers Go," which was translated from Portuguese directly before

FanSided, Contributing Writer LA/San Francisco (10/17-12/18)
• Wrote various features on the NBA and Big3, including a piece on former Sonics Gary Payton and Rashard Lewis reuniting

CBS Interactive, Digital Content Producer Carlsbad, CA (11/15-5/16)
• Maintained 120 college athletics websites, including that of Alabama and Notre Dame, among others
• Wrote headlines, built photo galleries, copy-edited stories and worked heavily with FTP and HTML coding

ESPN True Hoop Network, Editor/Reporter LA/Sacramento (10/13-9/15)
• Edited, proofread Cowbell Kingdom's stories, incl. the weekly Sunday Musings column (46K UVM, 150K PVM)
• Wrote weekly features from practice and pre- and post-game reporting (2/14-4/14)

The Los Angeles Times, Editorial Assistant Los Angeles, CA (11/14-3/15)
• Reported feature stories on various high school sports teams and athletes for the newspaper and website

OZY.com, Freelance Sports Features Reporter Los Angeles, CA (10/14-3/15)
• Reported on unique sports stories for the cutting-edge website, such as the rising French influence on the NBA

The Lottery Mafia (Bloguin Network), Editor-in-Chief Los Angeles, CA (6/14-7/15)
• Constructed weekly editorial calendar; edited and proofread stories; mentored young writers w/ detailed feedback

The ATLX Channel, Online Content Producer Culver City, CA (7/13-2/14)
• Reported an exclusive, award-winning story on BMX racer Donny Robinson's tragic concussion dilemma
• Authored the most-read story in site history (more than 25K UVs), edited site's features other than my own

SLAM Online, Feature Writer Los Angeles, CA (1/11-10/13)
• Covered the WNBA's L.A. Sparks, crafting feature stories on their players and actively "tweeting" during games

Neon Tommy (Annenberg Digital News), Sports Editor/Staff Reporter Los Angeles, CA (8/11-5/13)
• Spearheaded 2012 Olympics coverage while writers were dispersed across the globe
• Mentored and edited for 15 writers, arranged stories on home page, wrote headlines and monitored site traffic
• Produced content on every major sport, while reporting on the USC football and women's basketball beats

KDVS 90.3 FM, Radio Personality Davis, CA (11/08-6/11)
• Hosted a weekly studio show ("Aggie Talk") and interviewed UC Davis athletes and coaches from various teams
• Broadcasted football, women's basketball (Big West and NCAA Tournament), baseball and softball games

DavisSportsDeli.com, Multimedia Journalist Davis, CA (6/07-7/11)
• Co-hosted DSD Podcast, conducting interviews with 100+ journalists & athletes, including Rob Gronkowski and George Hill

Fanball.com, Blogger

LA/Davis, CA (6/09-6/10)

- Managed Fanball's Dodger Blue Blog, building a loyal following and published at least four entries per week

EDUCATION

MA, Journalism (Digital and Print), University of Southern California, May 2013, 3.6 GPA

BA, Communication and Political Science (Double Major), UC Davis, June 2011, 3.8 GPA

AWARDS/HONORS

[2014 LA Press Club Award for Online Sports Feature/News/Commentary \(Third Place\)](#)

[2013 LA Press Club Award for Online Sports Feature/News/Commentary \(Third Place\)](#) (*Also edited [second-place winner](#)*)

Phi Beta Kappa, UCD (Inducted 5/11); UCD Political Science Honors Thesis (Completed w/ high honors in 12/10)

SKILLS

HTML, CMS including Wordpress and Drupal, Some Spanish, Some Hebrew, Fitness, Political Science, Sports, Statistics, FTP, SEO, Google Analytics, Microsoft Excel, Final Cut Pro, Adobe Audition, AP Style, Audacity, Photoshop, Social Media