

Richard A. Johnson

Writer | Editor | Photographer | Project Manager

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RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Communications Manager / Special Projects Manager

National Magazine Awards Foundation

Toronto, ON (2006-2010; 2011-present)

- Managed communications & publicity
- Wrote news releases, newsletters, website copy, promotional material & event scripts
- Edited annual gala program & related material
- Coordinated submissions and judging processes
- Co-produced and managed events
- Managed documentation and archival databases

Communications & Documentation Advisor

People's Rural Education Movement

Berhampur, Odisha, India (2010-2011)

- Wrote & edited grant proposals
- Created newsletters, website, promotional & fundraising material
- Developed internal & external reporting templates
- Facilitated workshops & seminars for staff and community members
- Trained staff & developed training modules on documentation, reporting & field photography

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Writer

- 2008 *The Globe and Mail* (contributor to election coverage)
2007 "The Hamas Dilemma", *The Walrus* magazine (4000-word feature)
2007 "A Dramatic Revival", *THIS Magazine* (2500-word feature)
2007-09 Contributing Writer, *DesignLines Toronto*, Toronto, ON
2007-08 Contributing Reporter, *Ryerson Free Press*, Toronto, ON
2006 Contributing Writer, *Encyclopedia of Popular Fiction*, Toronto, ON
2004-05 Contributing Writer, *Harvard Mountaineering Journal*, Cambridge, MA
2000-02 Freelance Writer and Photographer, West Bank, Palestine

Editor & Researcher

- 2008 Features & Opinions Editor, *Ryerson Free Press*, Toronto, ON
2006 Editorial Intern, *The Walrus* magazine, Toronto, ON
2006 Freelance Fact Checker, *Maisonneuve* magazine, Montreal, QC
2005-06 Research Consultant, Angel Editions publishing, Toronto, ON
2004-05 Bibliographic Assistant, Widener Library, Harvard University, MA
2002 Researcher and Photographer, The Jenin Inquiry, West Bank, Palestine

Teacher

- 2003 Assistant Office Director and English Teacher, Amideast, Sousse, Tunisia
2002 English Teacher, Amideast, Ramallah, West Bank, Palestine

Photographer

- 2008 Presenting Photographer, "Out of Captivity", Gallery Black Line Studio, Toronto, ON
2005 "Tunisia: An 'Other' Perspective" (photo essay); *E-Cmes Magazine*, Cambridge, MA
2004-05 Photographer, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
2002 "West Bank Café" (photo essay); *Tokion* magazine, Tokyo, Japan

Volunteer & Social Work

- 2010-11 Volunteer teacher of English and Journalism to high-schoolers, Mandiapalli village, Odisha, India
2004-05 President & Editor, *Justice for Palestine* at Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA
2001-02 Volunteer Emergency Relief, Palestine Red Crescent Society, West Bank, Palestine
1998 Volunteer Social Worker, al-Mahata Iraqi Refugee Camp, Amman, Jordan

EDUCATION

2003-05 Master of Arts

Anthropology & Mideast Studies
Harvard University

2004 Arabic for Journalism

Intensive summer course
Hebrew University, Jerusalem

2000-01 Modern Standard Arabic

Full-year intensive training
Birzeit University, West Bank

1994-1998 Bachelor of Science

Finance & Economics
Trinity University, San Antonio

LANGUAGES

English, French,
Arabic