WANDA THIBODEAUX

Freelance Writer

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- 💡 Eagan, MN

SUMMARY

Ambitious, self-directed writer seeking to initiate individual and social change through powerful storytelling and motivational interaction

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance

Central Michigan University

₿ 08/2006

Bachelor of Science in Oboe Performance

Central Michigan University

₿ 08/2006

EXPERIENCE

Writer and Sole Proprietor

Takingdictation.com

🗰 08/2006 - Present 🛛 🛛 Eagan, MN

- Researched for and completed content projects such as landing pages, ebooks, and website articles for independent and business clients (e.g., Aurora Worldwide Development Corporation, Prudential, Bankaroo, Walmart Canada, The Brink, Entrepreneur)
- Maintained business website, including blog posts, visitor feedback, and email queries
- Constructed project-related emails, scheduled and conducted interviews, and managed billing for all clients
- Shared 5-10 social media posts per week across 5 social media accounts; shared original content or insights on curated material
- Published personal and professional articles on sites such as Medium and LinkedIn to help develop author network/following
- Established and maintained author YouTube channel
- Built author sister site (<u>wandathibodeaux.com</u>) via WordPress

Podcast Host

Faithful on the Clock (faithfulontheclock.captivate.fm)

苗 08/2021 - Present 🛛 🛛 Eagan, MN

- Created 100+ original show scripts, episode descriptions, and show notes; recorded, edited, and published episodes
- Engaged with PR specialists to arrange and confirm guest appearances; interviewed guests
- Wrote 52-week devotional based on challenges shared weekly on LinkedIn; prepared manuscript for digital publication
- Constructed 5-10 social media posts per week across 5 social media accounts; shared insights on relevant curated content or personal experiences, as well as show images, video clips, and audiograms
- Established and maintained podcast YouTube channel
- Built podcast sister site (faithfulontheclock.com) via WordPress
- Produced podcast sponsorship package for funding acquisition

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SKILLS

Articles	Landing p	Landing pages Ebooks		
Blog post	s Product descriptions			
Business website content				
Email marketing Interviews				
Account documentation and tracking				
Personal project/task management				
Video/Audio editing Social media				
Canva	AWeber	Google Docs		
MS Word	Wordpre	Wordpress Auc		

AWARDS

Faith Radio Crystal Communicator Award, Northwest Christian Writers Conference (2021)

PROJECTS

Joyful God: How Seeing the Happiness of the Almighty Can Restore Your Peace and Purpose After Complex Trauma

🛱 Present

Christian self-help book exploring reconnection to God and mental restructuring after CPTSD

And Then There Were None

🛱 Present

Contemporary romance with themes of psychological recovery and authenticity

PASSIONS

Mental health
Music

Antiques

EXPERIENCE

Executive Ghostwriter

Massive Alliance

- 🗰 03/2020 07/2024 🛛 🛛 Remote
- Reviewed client interview recordings and related transcripts; extracted critical insights for content and brand messaging
- Wrote original article drafts in alignment with established client campaigns; revised articles from other team members as needed
- Constructed peripheral promotional social media content for ghostwritten articles
- Created and edited campaign flyers, emails, brochures, and reports within select side projects
- Composed client persona pitches to establish relationships between clients and top-tier business publications
- Provided workflow policy development feedback during 1-on-1 and team Zoom meetings; communicated with team as needed via Slack and Monday

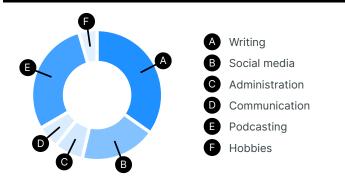
Columnist

Inc.com

🗰 10/2016 - 12/2019 🛛 🛛 Remote

- Produced 20-25 articles per month on assigned and unassigned basis resulting in 250,000-350,000 page views per month
- Communicated and coordinated with PR representatives; conducted research to set up interviews and construct column topics
- Imported, edited, and tracked each article via Inc.com platforms
- Created 3-5 social media posts per day with links to promote each article and drive traffic
- Participated in monthly editorial check-ins to ensure column quality and branding, as well as daily messaging via Slack as necessary

MY TIME



STRENGTHS

Values-oriented

Prize integrity, compassion, fairness, and protecting the underdog

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Planning/prioritization

Thrive in environments requiring big-picture thinking and contingency planning; delegate as necessary

Communication

At ease in many channels, including email, phone, video, social media, and collaboration platforms; best at 1-on-1 interaction

MY LIFE PHILOSOPHY

"Do or do not. There is no try."

Yoda (Star Wars)

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LIFE-CHANGING READS

Les Misérables (Victor Hugo)

Everyone is interconnected and suffers. Empathy and mercy matter.

The Wounded Healer (Henri Nouwen)

"A man can keep his sanity and stay alive as long as there is at least one person who is waiting for him. [...] When a man says to his fellow man, 'I will not let you go. I am going to be here tomorrow waiting for you, and I expect you not to disappoint me,' then tomorrow is no longer an endless, dark tunnel. It becomes flesh and blood in the brother who is waiting, and for whom he wants to give life one more chance."

We are to take our wounds and use them to invite others to us, to in our authentic intimacy and revelation provide a necessary dose of healing empathy. In this openness, we can reassure each other that someone cares that we exist.