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ABOUT

Multidisciplinary, award-winning creative in advertising, writing, art, and video. Twenty-five years of queer and trans grassroots cultural production and publishing. Fifteen years of DEI activism in corporate and nonprofit institutions. Forty-six years as a Libra-Virgo cusp with Scorpio moon and rising. Yikes!

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2016 - 2024 Freelance Creative Director Los Angeles, CA

Clients: Apple, Samsung, Google

2014 - 2016 Creative Director Los Angeles, CA

CAA Marketing

2010 - 2013 Creative Editor Portland, OR

Atelier Ace / Ace Hotel

2009 Archivist New York, NY

Eve Kosofsky Sedgwick Estate

And before that: nanny, housecleaner, pizza thrower, secretary, writing tutor, data entry clerk, organ player and bartender at a Texas sushi train.

EDUCATION

2004 - 2007 Portland State University Portland, OR

Social Practice + Postcolonial Studies

Bachelor of Liberal Arts, summa cum laude

2001 - 2002 Antioch College Yellow Springs, OH

Deaf Studies + Postcolonial Studies

2000 - 2001 Portland Community College Portland, OR

Sculpture + Deaf Studies

NONPROFIT

Art Directors Club

Jury member + mentor

CCCF Women's Prison

Writing workshop facilitator

Street Roots

Literacy tutor for homeless individuals + groups

Save Cuesta Inlet

Wetland preservation funding + organizing

Feminist Center for Creative Work

Ongoing private funding for a QBIPOC artist with FCCW as our nonprofit sponsor

VIDEO / DIRECTION		
TV Over the Bar	2018	A lesbian cable access show for The Bearded Tit (RIP), a queer bar and gallery in Sydney Co-directed with Azsa West
Zipper	2017	Mirror magic and gay dogs at an internet cafe and a love hotel in Shibuyu and Shinjuku, Tokyo Co-directed with Azsa West
Thinking Cap	2012	An exposé of Mark Mothersbaugh in a motorcyle helmet noodling on the Moog Co-directed with Michael Bunsen
COSTUME DESIGN		
We the Animals	2018	Feature film adaptation of Justin Torres' eponymous novel Directed by Jeremiah Zagar Sundace NEXT Innovator Award Outfest U.S. Narrative Feature Grand Jury Prize
Release the Bats	2018	Short film written and directed by Michelle Tea
PUBLICATION		
lt/lts	2026	Forthcoming Dopamine Press x Semiotext(e) anthology, Clowns
Certain Women	2025	Plainsongs Fall Issue
Beef Cherries Review	2025	On Misha Craft's book with Almanac Press, Rain Taxi No. 119
Happy Ideas	2025	Chapbook, Ghost City Press Summer Series
Fruit of the Loom	2025	The Good Press Paper June Issue
Core Mantle	2025	Corpus Callosum Issue 2.1
We Were the Animals	2018	Interview with Justin Torres, The Believer Magazine
What's Truly Is Feral	2011	Chapbook, Lost Horse Press New Poets Series
Of Rocks + Happy Ideas 2010		Weekday Journal Issue 2, with Publication Studio
In Jars + A Joke Is a Kind 2008 of Sentence		Portland Review Spring Issue