

Tess Martinelli

Journalist



Education

BFA Journalism & Documentary

Chapman University | 2020 - present

BA Sociology

Chapman University | 2020-present

Hard Skills

- Writing/Journalism
- Adobe Premiere Pro
- Microsoft Excel/Office
- G-Suite
- Interviewing
- research
- SEO

Soft Skills

- Problem solving
- Creativity
- People Person
- Punctuality
- Communication
- Curiosity

Certifications

Personal Trainer

ISSA 2019-present

CPR

ISSA 2019-present

Career Overview

Journalist with a keen eye for innovative storytelling and aesthetics. I have written several short form documentaries and editorial pieces, managing the creative and logistical sides of human interest, cultural, and social justice stories. Creative yet focused, I thrive in environments in which I can collaborate with others, face challenges head on, and use writing as a vehicle for meaningful connection and introspection.

Work Experience

Publicity Intern

Falcon Publicity | Jan 2023 - present

- write press releases, collect client press coverage,
- pitch client stories to journalists
- conduct competitor research via social media and provide thorough reports on my findings using Excel

Developmental Book Editor

Nate Flaks | Jan 2023 - May 2023

- evaluate, critique, and shape narrative of book
- communicate with author to understand and execute vision effectively
- structure and organize main ideas during writing process

Documentary Writer

Nadia's Initiative | Jan 2023 - March 2023

- conduct research about Yazidi Genocide through academic journals and qualitative interviews
- schedule, conduct, and transcribe interviews
- write paper cut of script

Documentary Writer & Editor

26 Seconds | Jan 2022 - Aug 2022

- work alongside director, Kelly Galindo, to edit documentary about human trafficking
- organize footage, transcribe interviews, assemble cuts, sound design, & color grade using Premiere Pro