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### **Objective**

To publish a collection of stories  
To apply for writing grants (Ontario, Canada)  
To continue to study the craft of writing (short fiction, creative nonfiction, playwriting)

### **Education**

Massive Open Online Course, Power of the Pen: Identities and Social Issues  
in Fiction and Nonfiction, The University of Iowa 2017  
Massive Open Online Course, How Writers Write Fiction: Storied Women  
The University of Iowa 2016  
Playwriting Workshop, 5 days, Expect Theatre/Spark, Toronto 2016  
One Day Playwriting Workshop, Gil Garrett, Artistic Director, Blyth 2015  
UBC's Booming Ground Mentorship Program, Children's Writing/ Short Fiction 2013  
Sarah Selecky, Story Intensive 2012  
Additional University Courses 1982-2011  
Bachelor of Education, Brock University 1979  
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, University of Waterloo 1978

### **Writing Awards**

#### *Nesting*

1st Prize, Creative Nonfiction Category ~ Annual Writing Competition 2017  
Northwestern Ontario Writers Workshop

#### *The Drive*

Shortlisted, Fiction ~ Annual Writing Competition 2017  
Northwestern Ontario Writers Workshop

#### *Split Second*

Nominated, Pushcart Prize, Nonfiction category by Two Cities Review 2016

#### *Hedy & Flo*

Long-listed, carte blanche/CNFC Contest 2015

#### *Clutched by the Hair*

Top 3, Desi Writers' Lounge Fiction Writing Competition, South Asia 2015

#### *Ringo*

3rd, NOWW Creative Nonfiction Writing Competition 2015

*Nothing by Mouth*  
Shortlisted, Event Creative Nonfiction Writing Competition 2014

### **Experience**

Queen's University, Instructor, additional qualification courses for teachers 2006-present  
School Administrator, WRDSB, special education 2004-2012  
Teacher, special education, elementary and secondary 1982-2004  
Instructor, Parent Education, KW Counselling 1992-1996  
Teacher, English for New Canadians, Conestoga College 1979-1982

### **Volunteerism**

Walkerton, Writing Coach 2015-present  
Pre-screening writing contest judge, Alice Munro Festival 2015-present  
Crohn's and Colitis Canada, Grey Bruce 2012-present  
Saugeen Artists Group 2013-2015

### **Publications** (online/print literary journals and anthologies)

#### **Fiction**

*Something for Rain*  
The Belle Journal, USA 2017

*Crisp and Savoury*  
Five2One Magazine 2016

*Factitious*  
The Winnipeg Review 2016

*Die Ordnung in Intercourse*  
Rhubarb Magazine 2015

*Three Connected Stories (Neon Pink Sign, Cloistered, and Legs Like Stilts)*  
Pure Slush--Feast! Edition 2015

*Little More than a Boy*  
Severine Lit Mag, Volume 1, (Be)Longing 2015

*A Threadbare Towel*  
Synaesthesia, UK 2015

*Five Distancing Habits*  
Crab Fat Magazine: The Best of Year One, An Anthology 2015

<i>Heads of Candy Floss</i> The Bohemyth, Ireland	2014
<i>A First-Rate Boy</i> New Contrast, South Africa	2014
<i>The Haze in the Smoke</i> Ricochet Magazine, AU	2014
<i>In a Clinch</i> The Gambler	2014
<i>Vinegar Chips</i> The Gambler	2014
<i>Mayor der Wolf Meets the Three Little Pigs</i> The Steel Chisel, Toronto	2014
<i>Verrueckt Play</i> Rhubarb Magazine—Mental Health Issue	2011
<i>Dear Ella</i> Ascent Aspirations Online Magazine	March, 2011
<b>Creative Nonfiction</b>	
<i>Square Dance</i> Paths of Fear (Anthology), The Pebbled Lane Books Series, USA	2016
<i>Split Second</i> Two Cities Review, Online, USA	2016
<i>Red Beets Mingle with Potato Skins</i> Nom-Fiction (Big Truths) Print Edition (Anthology), USA	2016
<i>Where Dogs Fart</i> Foliate Oak Literary Magazine, USA	2015
<i>Room with a View</i> Morelmag.ca	2015
<i>When One Treatment Won't Do</i> Jenny, USA	2015
<i>AKA Robin</i> Unfinished Chapters (Anthology), USA	2015

<i>Nothing by Mouth</i> Tincture, AU	2015
<i>Ringo</i> Tincture, AU	2015
<b>Non-Fiction (articles / opinion editorials)</b> <i>People's Best Friend--Why Having a Dog Matters</i> Renaissance Magazine, Retired Teachers of Ontario	2017
<i>Caught up in the Truth--an essay about writing creative non-fiction</i> The Town Crier, blog of the Puritan	2015
<i>Back to Nature</i> Rural Voice	2014
<i>Move Over Three R's</i> CAP Journal	2011
<i>Lead at the Elbow,</i> Leaders and Learners	Summer 2011
<i>Technology in the Classroom Isn't Utopia</i> SNOW Online	2011
<i>What's the skinny on social networking for teens?</i> <i>Do the benefits outweigh the concerns?</i> Ontario Principals' Council magazine, Register	Winter 2010
<i>The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Being selective in the fuel choices we make</i> Girlworks Magazine	August 2010
<i>The Meaning of Green</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	January 2010
<i>The Word Hermaphrodite is Inappropriate for People</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	October 2009
<i>Far North</i> New Hamburg Independent	Nov. 2009
<i>Natural to the Rescue</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	Sept. 2009

<i>Just because you cannot see your colon, do not ignore</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	Sept. 2009
<i>When you Drive, Do not Talk on the Cell Phone</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	Aug. 2009
<i>Turmeric! Super Food or Just a Spice?</i> Open Magazine	2009
<i>Today's High-Tech Students Make Me Feel Like a Digital Immigrant</i> Waterloo Region Record	2009
<i>Bee Population Decline Threatens Food Supply</i> New Hamburg Independent	Aug. 2009
<i>Today's High-tech Students Make me feel like a Digital Immigrant</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	July 2009
<i>Herbes de Provence: A Taste of the French Riviera</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	July 2009
<i>If you Help Another You just Might help Yourself</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	May 2009
<i>Simple Flu Shot could have Saved me Considerable Misery</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	March 2009
<i>Lyndon Fish Hatcheries Always Striving to Move Forward</i> New Hamburg Independent	March 2009
<i>Buzz on Bees</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	March 2009
<i>The Roundabout Dance—Who is Leading?</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	Jan. 2009
<i>Tipping the Scales of Balance your Way</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	Winter 2008
<i>Experiencing Different Culture</i> Korea Times	August 2008
<i>Changes to Safe Schools Act gives Educators more Options</i> Waterloo Chronicle	April 2008

<i>Attention Deficit Disorder and Girls</i> The CAP Journal, Resources for school-based leadership	Winter 2007
<i>From Nigeria to Yellowknife to Qatar</i> New Hamburg Independent	July 2007
<i>Claynook Farms Owners help 14-year-old grow his business</i> New Hamburg Independent	March 2007
<i>A Diary of a Successful Wilmot Township Farmer</i> New Hamburg Independent	March 2007
<i>Putting down the Chalk</i> New Hamburg Independent	Nov. 2006
<i>Students are Fortunate to have Many Educational Options</i> Waterloo Chronicle	Nov. 2006
<i>Bonding over books: Friendships and Love of Reading Grow</i> Abilities: Canada's magazine people	Fall 2006
<i>Whose Wellness? Theirs or Ours?</i> The CAP Journal	Spring 2006
<b>Book / Resource Reviews</b> (sample of titles)	
<i>Tim Wynne-Jones' book Rex Zero</i> Waterloo Region Record	April 2011
<i>Lesley Choyce's book Random</i> Waterloo Region Record	April 2011
<i>Eric Walter's book Shaken</i> Waterloo Region Record	Feb. 2011
<i>Dogfight: A Love Story</i> Waterloo Region Record	Feb. 2011
<b>Poetry</b>	
<i>A Glacial Stalker</i> From This Day Forward, an anthology celebrating Canada's 150th Editor: Margaret Bird	2017

**Readings / Workshops / Other**

*Clutched by the Hair*

<http://playme.podbean.com/e/29-playme-clutched-by-a-hair/>

PlayME Podcast, Expect Theatre, Toronto

2016

*Canadian Federation of University Women, Saugeen Branch*

'Getting Started' on Writing ~ A Talk for Beginning Writers

2016

April

*Author Reading via Skype*

Rhubarb Magazine, Winnipeg

Feb. 2016

*Local Pre-screening Judge, Alice Munro Festival of the Short Story*

*Writing Competition*

Wingham, Ontario

2015-present

*Initiated a Face-to-Face Writers' Group*

Walkerton, Ontario

2015-present

*Participant, Face-to-Face Writing Group and online writing group*

Paisley, Ontario and online

2016-present