

Clare Michelle Rushing

Creative individual with more than 10 years of intensive training and experience in multiple forms of writing. Specialization in the development of engaging content for blogs, websites, social media, and professional resumes. High level of experience working with writing partners to develop characters and plotlines for collaborative fiction projects. Strong background with editing and critiquing fictional stories, academic essays, statements of intent, and historical guides. Capable of providing constructive feedback to other writers, and working with them to resolve flaws in their work. Bachelor of Arts, with an emphasis on literature, art, academic research and analytical writing.

Proofreading • Editing • Professional Biographies • LinkedIn Profiles • Wordpress.com • Tumblr.com
Story Development • Character Development • Blogging • Resume, Cover Letter Writing

SELECTED FREELANCE PROJECTS

- Proofread, edited, and critiqued a “choose your own adventure novel” by Laura Mitchell (la.mitchell.com)
- Assisted author with the development of a children’s book and created 20+ full-color illustrations for the story, which is now available to purchase online: <http://www.amazon.com/Sparky-M-D-Hicken/dp/0974659819>
- Beta read and suggested alterations for a non-fiction historical guide about a federal building in Amarillo, TX
- Authored informative content for professionals in the mental health community to promote their services
- Wrote promotional articles and commercial scripts for a company in Australia that sold solar pool covers
- Illustrated concept art for an animated short-film that a client was preparing to pitch to their employer

RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

[Company Name Omitted], 2013-Present

Senior Writer, Consultant

- Build resumes, cover letters, CV’s, LinkedIn Profiles, and biographies for clients in a multitude of industries
- Work with a variety of clients, including CEOs, activists, scientists, civil engineers, and business owners
- Help military personnel transition to civilian jobs, and recent grads enter the job market for the first time
- Act as a point of escalation for dissatisfied clients, carefully reviewing all correspondence with their previous writer, and any documents associated with the order to deliver a substantially improved final product
- Provide clients with advice and counsel on resume building, and general information on career development

Pearson Education, 2015

6th Grade Essay Scorer

- Read and assigned accurate scores to 6th Grade ACT Aspire essay responses based on strict scoring criteria
- Maintained a consistently high level of agreement with control essays that had been previously scored
- Evaluated the students’ ability to write a compelling personal narrative that adequately answered prompt
- Submitted for review essays that indicated possible existence of abuse, neglect, bullying, or mental illness

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

“The Creativity Engine: Where Does the Power Come From?”, Wizard World, 2015

Lecture and Studio Workshop Series at the International School of Comics, 2014

“Closing the Deal: What You Need to Know About Publishing Deals and Contracts”, C2E2, 2014

BFA, English and Studio Art, Austin College, Sherman, TX, 2011

Research Paper: “Chasing Beauty: An Analysis of the Sublime and the Beautiful in 3 Rock Operas”

Expository Writing, Creative Writing, Investigative Poetics, Modern Poetry

History of Beauty, History of Comics, Pictures Telling Stories, Reading the Body in Film

Study Abroad in Ancient Rome, Italy, 2011

Architectural Studies, New York, NY, 2010

Painting at Ghost Ranch, Abiquiu, New Mexico, 2009