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ACTOR/BROADCASTER/COMMENTATOR/PUBLIC SPEAKER

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

TV/ RADIO/ FILM/ COMMENTATOR/BROADCAST/ ACTOR/ THEATRE:

Voiceover/Narration Youthview Productions – Access On, Multimedia accessibility project for Ontario government 2007

Actor Bang Productions - Metropia 2004

Actor History's Courtroom – Role as parent of James Keegstra student 2003

Some Things That Stay – Role of Churchgoer, Stay Productions 2003

Guest on Breakfast Television, consumer expert 2002

Appeared on CBC, CTV, CP 24 as guest commentator 2001- 2007

Guest panelist on Vision TV on peace coverage in journalism 2001

Guest speaker on TVO's *More to Life*, stigma and mental illness 2006

Guest speaker on TVO's *Imprint* on censorship in the media, 1991

Appeared on Andy Barrie CFRB show on Role of Women at The Toronto Star over the past century 1990

Appeared in several television commercials in late 70s, early 1980s.

Appeared on Second City TV 1979.

Stage West, Regina 1981.

Bit parts in numerous feature films in late 70s, early 80s.

Actor at Shaw Festival, 1980 season, The Cherry Orchard, Flea in Her Ear, Canuck, Misalliance.
Actor's Trunk 1979 spring Ontario tour, Juliet in Romeo and Juliet.
Bastion Theatre, Victoria, B.C. 1979 Fall Tour, principal player.
Buddies in Bad Times Showcase, 1979 principal in showcase, Dream Factory.
Harbourfront Centre Toronto Theatre Show piece Workshop 1978, principal player.
Village Playhouse Summer Season Toronto 1978, Right Bed, Wrong Husband.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

Appeared on plenary for Ontario's Patients Rights Association on how advocates can successfully work with the media
Addressed Ontario Association of Community Living in plenary – Prime Time - Reaching the Media
Gave keynote speech for the Canadian Association of Housing and Renewal Officials on People, Problems and the Politics the homelessness
Speaker at Toronto's Women in Film Focus – Does the Media Work For Us?
Public seminar for Guelph University's journalism students on ethics
Speaker for Concerned Friends of Citizens in Ontario Care Facilities on abuse and the rights of the elderly
Panelist speaker for Simcoe County District Health Council on the role of alternative medicine in treating children
Panelist at Ryerson University's Journalism School on the role of women in the media
Mood Disorders Association of Ontario workshop moderator
Family Matters Conference
Mood Disorders Association of Ontario plenary moderator
Depression – Speaking out – at National Conference of Jewish Women

OTHER EXPERIENCE:

Mood Disorders Association of Ontario workshop, plenary moderator, have served for three years on their annual awards selection committee

Current member of Advisory Committee for the New Women's College Hospital's Reproductive Life Stages Centre study on the treatment of perinatal depression
Member of initial steering committee that helped form the CAMH's first Institute of Addiction and Mental Health Studies for Journalists

STAFF EDITOR, WRITER, MANAGER, COLUMNIST, *The Toronto Star*, 1983-2007

Worked as ombudsman, news desk editor, deputy Sunday editor, feature writer, lifestyles writer, consumer writer, general reporter, copy editor, assistant city editor, assignment editor, columnist, theatre reviewer.

Specialized in health care reporting, consumer, mental health issues.

Columns included: Consumer Watch, Test Drive, Returns and Exchanges, Passions and Pastimes, Ombudsman's Weekly Report

FREELANCE WRITING, EDITING, PROMOTIONS: 1977-present.

Current online media critic/columnist for Canadian Mental Health Association Ontario Division

Current contributor/ contributing editor for *Moods Magazine*

Current media relations director for Mood Disorders Association of Ontario's 2007 Check Up from the Neck Up mental health campaign

Member of media relations steering committee of the Mood Disorders Association of Ontario's 2006 Checkup from the Neck Up campaign

Edited several books, including *A Question of Law: The Answer Book* and former Clarke Institute's Family Court Clinic's guide to family law and conflict resolution

Former member of editorial advisory board for CMHA *Crosscurrents* magazine

Assistant to editor at *Toronto Theatre Review Magazine* 1978-79

SCRIPTWRITING:

1999 Co-wrote series of safety videos for Ontario trucking association

1998 Co-wrote a series of educational videos for at-risk youth to help teach them how to get skilled trades employment

1982 Wrote screenplay children TV half hour film *A Place for Me* to help kids understand stigma against children's with disabilities
1981 Co-wrote and helped produce a series of training videos for the RCMP on domestic crisis intervention
1979 Co-wrote bastion Theatre Vancouver Island school tour's children's and youth's play series
1977 Co-wrote Jack and Reuben children's play staged at Harbourfront Circus top

AWARDS

2006, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health's Courage to Come Back Award.
2006 Award for Excellence in Health Care Reporting from the Registered Nursing Association of Ontario.
1994 Registered Nursing Association of Ontario certificate of merit in health care reporting.
1985 Ontario Safety League award for Best Print journalism piece.
1983 Runner up by the Centre for Investigative Journalism (now the Canadian Association of Journalists) for investigative series on Ontario nursing homes.
1983 Southam Journalism Award for ranking first in her class at Ryerson Journalism School.

EDUCATION/ AFFILIATIONS

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Member of association of health care journalists of North America. Completed their seminars on use of statistics and studies in health care reporting.

Nominated for and completed Poynter Institute for Journalism seminar on editing, ethics and writing.

Completed the American Society of Newspaper Editor's seminar in Chicago on Leadership in Newsroom

Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Journalism 1983

York University, 1974-76 Fine Arts

Centennial College Journalism 1974

REFERENCES

Available upon request.