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PROFESSIONAL

Staff Writer **Beef with Bridget Todd** August 2023 - Current

A series from Next Chapter Podcasts, Beef with Bridget Todd is an original scripted non-fiction podcast, covering the stories of rival titans of industry whose competition drove their success. Winner of 3 Signal Gold Awards, nominated for '24 Ambie, half million series downloads.

Pitch, research, write, and edit 4,000 word essays on historical rivalries

Scout, contact, and interview experts to generate pull quotes

Screenwriting Mentor **Kids in the Spotlight, Inc.** November 2022 - Current

KITS, Inc. is a charitable organization which provides hands-on filmmaking education to at-risk and foster youth in the Los Angeles area.

Profiled on ABC 7, The Jim Jefferies Show, and TedX Inglewood.

Teach basic screenwriting skills to small groups of at-risk foster youth

Lead team as head writer in producing a 10-page script to be produced as a short film

Develop and execute five-week screenwriting curriculum

Evergreen Writer **MovieWeb.com** May - December 2023

A division of Valnet, Inc., MovieWeb specializes in internet content and listicles focused on movies and pop culture trends, with an eye for opinion and a youthful voice. Articles typically reached 15,000 views, over 25 articles published.

Pitched, researched, and wrote 3,000-word weekly listicles related to movies

Utilized SEO best practices

Constructed web art and design

Copywriter **Promoshin** October 2020 - March 2023

A commercial production studio specializing in animated commercials and explainer videos.

Wrote scripts for animated explainer videos

Directed animators in visual blocking

Incorporated client briefs and independent research

Event Producer | Creator **No Space at the Know Space** Summer 2019

I co-launched a monthly popup stand-up comedy show on Hollywood Boulevard. Participating comedians included Hannah Einbinder, Erica Rhodes, Kyle Kinane, Sheng Wang, Atsuko Okatsuka, and Amy Silverberg. Four shows in total.

Booked comedy talent

Negotiated for use of venue

Designed and edited flyers and promotional videos

Assistant Story Editor **Candor Entertainment** April 2013 - February 2014

A reality television post-production studio with shows on Oprah Winfrey Network and HDNet.

Edited stringouts for editors to construct episode acts

Identified character plot points through extensive review of footage

Wrote interview questions for talking head segments

PROFESSIONAL (cont.)

Transcriber Researcher	3Ball Entertainment	June 2012 - April 2013
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A reality television post-production studio with shows on ABC, Animal Planet, and Spike TV.

Transcribed text from footage for perusal by story editors

Researched and authored copy for on-air infographics

Translated audio footage in Spanish to English subtitles

Writer Director Creator	FacebookWasTaken	February 2011 – May 2012
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An independent, short form comedy web series released three times per week. Represented by Maker Studios, since renamed Disney Digital Network, and was an early recipient of YouTube revenue-generating ad shares. Profiled by leading online publication Tubefilter.com.

Wrote and edited over 120 episodes total of original content

Directed actors in a collaborative, comedy-forward environment

Acquired ad sales partnerships and wrote marketing materials

Set Assistant	Derek Blanks Photography	October 2010 - April 2012
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Derek Blanks is an independent, Atlanta-based celebrity photographer. Subjects included Chaka Khan, Kelly Rowland, and Amber Riley.

Performed grip and electrical duties

Took sample photographs to test lighting

EDUCATION

Master of Fine Arts	American Film Institute Conservatory	Expected Graduation May 2027
Los Angeles, California	AFI Screenwriting Fellow	

Bachelor of Arts	University of the Pacific	Graduated December 2008
Stockton, California	Major - International Relations and Global Studies	

Study Abroad	Universidad Andrés Bello	Spring 2008
Santiago, Chile	Curriculum focused on Spanish literature and poetry	

Extension Course	National University of Rwanda	Summer 2005
Butare, Rwanda	Two-week case study on economic development and sustainability, focusing on Rwandan coffee farmers	

Sketch Writing 101	Upright Citizens Brigade	August - October 2021
Los Angeles, CA	Ten-week workshop on writing comedy sketch scripts	

AWARDS

"Skunkworks"	Grand Prize Winner	2025
Feature script	Writers X Writers Competition	#1 out of over 1,400 entries
	Quarterfinalist	2024
	Los Angeles Int'l Screenplay Competition	Top 25% among over 2,400 entries
	Semifinalist	2022
	ScreenCraft True Story Competition	Top 5% of over 1,000 entries
"The Island Man"	NYC Midnight Short Competition	2023
Short script	Honorable Mention	Top 10% of entries

PUBLICATIONS

"I've Come to Accept Almost Everything..."	Huff Post	June 2024
1500-word personal essay on the effects of a hearing impairment on bilingual communication		
"His Laptop"	Crypto Dingo	October 2022
Two-page comedic sketch that was chosen from among an open call and produced		
"Rocket's Jazz"	Litbreak Magazine/New Reader Magazine	June 2021
1500-word personal essay in which a jazz standard frames parallel narratives on musicianship		

RELEVANT SKILLS

LANGUAGES	English – Native Spanish - Fluent
SOFTWARE	Final Draft Premiere Pro Final Cut Avid Microsoft Office
MUSIC	Piano, Guitar, and Vocal performance and improvisation Composition and sight reading, both classical and charts