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A detail-driven tech-savvy professional writer.

EXPERIENCE

- 09/'14 – 03/'15 **Canadian Film Centre** Toronto, ON
Bell Media Prime Time TV Program
Part of the most recent class of CFC Prime Time residents, working under the supervision of Stargate creator, Brad Wright as well as Mark McKinney.
- 12/'13 – Present **Spec Scripts** Toronto, ON
Various
Five, hour-long, TV drama scripts, two specs (“Republic of Doyle” and “House of Cards”) and three original pilots, (“The Virus Makers”, “Old Tough” and “The Ink”).
- 01/'08 – 05/'12 **The Virus Makers** Montreal, QC
Novel
Wrote a novel about a high school genius and his troublemaking friend who discover a screen-eating computer virus that kick-starts the singularity.
- 10/'96 – 10/'14 **Saunders Entertainment** Munster, ON
Head Writer/Performer
Saunders hosts the largest Hallowe'en celebration in Canada, attracting over 65,000 people each October. Wrote and starred in their annual live stage show.
- 12/'11 **SideMart Theatrical Grocery** Montreal, QC
Writer/Performer – Whiteman's Whiskey: One of Everything for the Boys
Part of team who created a USO-style show set in an alternate version of 1950s America. Debuted at the Mainline Theatre with a four piece band.
- 02/'09 & 07/'09 **SideMart Theatrical Grocery** Montreal, QC
Writer/Performer – Whiteman's Whiskey: Celebration Special
Co-created the world of a popular live-to-air TV show set in the first golden age of television. Sold out runs at Theatre Ste. Catherine and Just for Laughs.
- 01/'09 **SideMart Theatrical Grocery** Montreal, QC
Writer – The Mark of all Genius
Was the head writer on a collaborative piece that grappled with Canada's twin obsessions with hockey and oil.
- 06/'07 – 09/'07 **Spooked (Feature)** Montreal, QC
Screenwriter
Wrote a *Rear Window*-style feature film aimed at teens. The script was optioned by a small Montreal production company and had an eight day, half-million dollar shoot.



03/'06 & 02/'06 **CBC Radio: Boy Meets Girl** Montreal, QC
Writer/Producer/Performer
Wrote, produced and performed in comedy specials that aired on CBC Radio One.

11/'05 – 06/'07 **Airborne Entertainment** Montreal, QC
Creative Producer
Was responsible for bringing such marquee brands as Family Guy, Maxim Magazine and Just For Laughs into the world of mobile entertainment.

02/'04 **Renegade Theatre: Jennydog** Montreal, QC
Director
Directed the world-premiere of Harry Standjovski's Jennydog, a show that won the Montreal English Critics Circle award for "Best Ensemble Cast".

12/'03 – 11/'05 **Freelance Writer/Performer** Montreal, QC
Various Markets
Contributed articles to a variety of publications, including the Globe and Mail, Hour Magazine and Wired. Performed stand-up comedy in Montreal for several years.

04/'02 – 12/'03 **Hour Magazine** Montreal, QC
Theatre Critic/Copyeditor
Had a weekly column that ran in Montreal's most popular alternative English-language paper. Was also an alternate copyeditor.

06/'96 – 08/'99 **Tundra Semiconductor Corporation** Ottawa, ON
Technical Writer/Applications Engineer/Product Manager
Was promoted several times at Tundra, learning valuable lessons about communication, corporate culture, technology and business.

05/'95 – 08/'95 **Canadian Space Agency** St. Hubert, QC
Engineer
Was responsible for an upgrade of the *Canadarm* simulator under the supervision of former Canadian astronaut Mike McKay.



EDUCATION

- 09/'14 – 03/'15 **Canadian Film Centre** Toronto, ON
Bell Media Prime Time TV Program
Was a proud resident of the CFC Prime Time Program, working with former Stargate showrunner, Brad Wright. Was part of a comedy workshop with Mark McKinney.
- Fall 2010 **Radio Documentary Intensive** Montreal, QC
Quebec Writers' Federation
Fabled documentarian David Gutnick led this two month workshop that focused on deep listening, interviewing technique and storytelling.
- 09/'99 – 05/'01 **Concordia University** Montreal, QC
BFA Theatre, Playwriting
Learned all about writing for the stage while also gaining a solid foundation in directing and acting.
- 09/'92 – 05/'96 **Royal Military College** Kingston, ON
BEng, Computer
Graduated, with distinction, from the Royal Military College in Kingston, obtaining an engineering degree while learning valuable lessons about small team leadership, time management and self-discipline.
- 09/'89 – 05/'92 **Grenville College** Brockville, ON
High School
Graduated on the honour roll as Grenville's equivalent of head-boy.

HONOURS/AFFILIATIONS

- Featured Performer, John Cleese Just For Laughs Gala
- Montreal English Critics' Circle Award: Best Ensemble Cast, "Jennydog"
- Alberta Theatre Projects Brief New Works Award
- Top Cadet, Royal Roads Military College
- Member of ACTRA and the Writers' Guild of Canada.

WRITING/REFERENCES

Samples and references available on request.

