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Shelley Seale is a professional freelance writer, editor & desktop publishing designer.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Travel * Non-profit & Social Services issues * Cross-Cultural & International Topics
Sustainable & Green Living * Gender & Women's Issues * Child Advocacy
Relocation * Arts * Architecture & Interior Design * Urban Lifestyle
Residential & Commercial Real Estate * Entrepreneurship * Business

WORK EXPERIENCE

I am a regular contributing writer for The Examiner, Andrew Harper Traveler, Transitions Abroad, Travel Intelligence, OutFront Magazine, Texas School Business and the Austin Business Journal. My work has also appeared in the Seattle Times, Washington Magazine, Intrepid Travel, New Zealand Adventure, InfoChange India, GoodLife Magazine, the San Antonio Express-News, Austin Monthly Magazine, Austin Woman Magazine and others. I have also designed, written, edited and produced newsletters for The Lilith Fund, The Miracle Foundation, CASA of Travis County, RPS Relocation, Treehouse for Kids and other clients.

I have over twenty years' experience in professional writing, editing and desktop design/publishing. In 1990 I founded and operated a corporate relocation business and an urban real estate business. During this time I provided the entire original written content for two award-winning websites for these companies, and designed all desktop publishing including newsletters, brochures and marketing collateral. I was a regular contributing writer for many relocation and real estate industry publications including Relocation Today, Corporate Relocation News, Women Today Magazine, Mental Health Sanctuary, Adoption.com, Baby Shop Magazine, Kidz World, RN.com, Crossing Borders and others.

Besides business and real estate topics, another area of expertise I bring is in social issues and topics of global cultural significance, particularly surrounding children's rights and issues. I have written a book about vulnerable children in India and the issues impacting them such as poverty, child trafficking, the sex trade and the AIDS epidemic.

EDUCATION

St. Edward's University B.A. in Writing & Cultural Psychology
University of Texas at Arlington Associates Degree in Real Estate

PUBLICATIONS LIST & CLIENTS

The Examiner	Andrew Harper Traveler Magazine	Texas School Business
Intrepid Travel	Travel Research Online	Travel Intelligence
VolunTourist	International Ecotourism Society	Transitions Abroad
Seattle Times	Washington Magazine	New Zealand Adventure
GoodLife Magazine	Keller Williams OutFront Magazine	Austin Business Journal
Advance for Nurses	San Antonio Express-News	InfoChange India
Austin Monthly	Austin Woman Magazine	Go World Travel
Eclipse Magazine	Austin American-Statesman	Europe News
Morning Express	Travel Roads	World Sentinel

Reference contacts provided upon request.

Complete publications list with downloadable clips can be found at www.shelleyseale.com.

AWARDS & MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Professional Journalists	Active Professional Member
International Society for Travel Writing	Active Professional Member
North American Assoc. of Travel & Lifestyle Writers	Active Professional Member
International Federation of Tourism Journalists (FIJET)	Active Professional Member
South Asian Journalists Association	Active Professional Member
TravelWriters.com	Active Professional Member
AvantGuild	Active Professional Member
Gribner Manuscript Workshop, Prague	Resident & Scholar, 2007
Summer Literary Series, Russia	Accepted as Scholar, 2007
Julia & David White Artist Colony, Costa Rica	Resident, 2006
Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association	Scholar, 2005
New College Merit Scholarship	Scholar, 2006

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- The Miracle Foundation, an adoption and sponsorship nonprofit for orphans in India. I write and edit their newsletter, as well as provide a writing voice for publicity materials and grant writing. I am currently writing a book, *The Weight of Silence: Invisible Children of India*, about the orphan problem in India. I was interviewed in December 2006 by KXAN News about my work in India, and in July 2007 by Radio Europe; as well as January 2009 by The VolunTourist webcast.
- CASA of Travis County, a non-profit which provides an advocate and a voice in court for children removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect. I am a Court-Appointed Guardian Ad Litem for children, and have been involved in CASA's media, press relations and fund-raising campaigns.
- Heart Gallery of Central Texas. I serve on the planning committee of this program which takes professional photographer portraits of foster children waiting to be adopted and presents them in the form of an art gallery exhibit, to raise awareness and interest in adoption of foster children.