Kirby Kristen

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EXPERIENCE

MSN's Wonderwall.com, March 2013-Present

Host, Writer

- Hosting and writing two weekly shows on celebrity and fashion news, "Fashion Offenders" and "Replay," each garnering thousands of views per week.
- Interviewing celebrities on the red carpet

AOL's Mandatory.com, Aug. 2013-Dec. 2013

Host, Writer

• Hosted and wrote weekly series called "Apptitude." The show featured smart-phone apps designed for men.

Vegas Morning Blend (KTNV Channel 13), Aug. 2012

Guest Co-host

Live one-hour show with guests

Us Weekly Magazine, Oct. 2012-March 2013

Freelance Reporter

• Interviewed celebrities on arrival lines at premieres, awards shows, and special events

Entertainment Tonight/ The Insider, Feb. 2010-Aug. 2012

Field Producer/Director

- Interviewed celebrities on arrival lines, set visits, press junkets, and special events
- Directed and prepped talent/ crew for interviews, set visits, press junkets, and award shows
- Booked and produced interviews with leading figures in news and entertainment
- Captured the story producer's vision with creative footage
- Acted as the liaison and coordinator between production management and crew in the field

Executive Assistant to Mark Steines, Co-host of Entertainment Tonight

- Researched and prepared talent for sit-down interviews, arrival lines, and set visits
- Maintained talent schedule; attended to on-set and on-location needs; arranged meetings with managers, and executive producers
- Acted as the liaison between the talent and production management

KVUE-TV (ABC), Austin TX, May 2009-Aug. 2009

"Daybreak" University of Texas On-Campus Reporter

- While in college, I successfully pitched stories to the news director
- Shot, wrote, edited and produced my own stories for "Daybreak," and wrapped them live from set each Saturday and Sunday morning.

ABC News on Campus, Austin, TX, May 2009-Aug. 2009

Multimedia Reporter

- While in college, I successfully pitched stories to the ABC headquarters in NYC and contributed content to World News, mtvU, and abcnews.com
- Shot, wrote, edited and produced my own stories for ABC's digital and broadcast platforms

Texas Newswatch, Austin, TX, Jan. 2009-July 2009

Reporter/ Photographer/ Anchor/ Producer

- Aired Thursday nights on cable public access channel
- Reported on student lifestyle, events, and issues

EDUCATION

The University of Texas at Austin, 2009

B.S. Broadcast Journalism

B.S. Public Relations

Minor: Business Foundations

TRAINING

M.I.'s Westside Comedy Theatre, Improv Olympic West, Initiative Talent Group, Marki Costello Hosting School, Kalmenson & Kalmenson Voice Over

SPECIAL SKILLS

Writing, producing, directing, photography, teleprompter, IFB, ear prompter, Live, TV production, social media

INTERESTS

Improvisor, foodie, world traveler, country music aficionado, hiker, yogi, scuba diver, fashionista, animal lover