

ALLYSON VALENTINE SCHRIER

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~ **Writer · Editor · Project Manager** ~

Profile

Communications professional seeking challenging role that will leverage a unique toolbox of **writing, editing, technology, and project management** credentials.

Areas of Expertise

Writing, Editing & Content Management:

- Diverse writing background spanning technical courseware, documentation, white papers, industry reports, newspaper/magazine articles, and fiction and nonfiction books
- Author of a young adult novel scheduled for publication by Penguin Books in Summer 2013
- Superb research skills, including experience interviewing industry subject matter experts
- Outstanding analytical skills; contributor to 26 books on various math and science subjects
- Additional experience writing persuasive copy related to press releases, newspaper stories, reports, and other written collateral focused on regional sustainability

Technology Management:

- Former IT manager/professional with Vulcan Northwest and Asymetrix Corporation
- Skilled at translating technical, academic, and "dry" policy-related material into engaging, highly digestible content suitable for non-technical audiences and the public at large
- History of effective collaboration with technologists and scientists at major universities, as well as in working with innovative artists/musicians in role with Experience Music Project
- Proven strengths in evangelizing new technical concepts, initiatives, and methodologies
- Recognized for ability to generate strong rapport and credibility with engineering personnel

Project Management:

- Outstanding project management skills and track record of meeting tough deadlines
- Managed a six-person team at Asymetrix responsible for keeping the company's data and communications systems running 24x7x365 for a team of 150 software engineers
- Superior time management skills and ability to prioritize (and re-prioritize) projects on the fly
- Led the completion of numerous high-visibility projects at Vulcan, involving a complex mix of audio/video systems, satellite communication interfaces, and lighting/navigation controls

Employment History

Freelance Writer PENGUIN BOOKS	Jan 2011-June 2012
Writer/Editor EARTH ECONOMICS & PARTNERSHIP FOR RURAL KING COUNTY	2008-2011
Freelance Writer, Nonfiction MULTIPLE PUBLISHERS	2006-present
Head of Technology EXPERIENCE MUSIC PROJECT	1995-1996
Project Manager VULCAN NORTHWEST	1993-1995
MIS Manager ASYMETRIX CORPORATION	1991-1993

Education & Additional Information

Master of Fine Arts Writing Vermont College of Fine Arts	2007-2009
Bachelor of Science Finance University of Connecticut	1982

Computer skills: Strong proficiency in **MS Office** (MS Word Power User; intermediate skills in Excel, PowerPoint, Access) as well as usage of **SharePoint, WordPress**, and various **social media** tools