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### **Objective**

To publish a collection of stories  
To apply for writing grants (Ontario, Canada)  
To continue to study the craft of writing (short fiction, creative non-fiction, playwriting)

### **Education**

Massive Open Online Course, How Writers Write Fiction 2016: Storied Women	
The University of Iowa	2016
Playwriting Workshop, 5 days, Expect Theatre/Spark, Toronto	2016
One Day Playwriting Workshop, Gil Garrett, Artistic Director, Blyth	2015
UBC's Booming Ground Mentorship Program, Children's Writing/ Short Fiction	2013
Sarah Selecky, Story Intensive	2012
Additional University Courses	1982-2011
Bachelor of Education, Brock University	1979
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, University of Waterloo	1978

### **Writing Awards**

<i>Hedy &amp; Flo</i>	
Long-listed, carte blanche/CNFC Contest	2015
<i>Clutched by the Hair</i>	
Top 3, Desi Writers' Lounge Fiction Writing Competition, South Asia	2015
<i>Ringo</i>	
3rd, NOWW Creative Nonfiction Writing Competition	2015
<i>Nothing by Mouth</i>	
Short-listed, EVENT, Creative Nonfiction Writing Competition	2014

### **Experience**

Queen's University, Instructor, additional qualification courses for teachers	2006-2016
School Administrator, WRDSB, special education	2004-2012
Teacher, special education, elementary and secondary	1982-2004
Instructor, Parent Education, KW Counselling	1992-1996
Teacher, English for New Canadians, Conestoga College	1979-1982

**Volunteerism**

Walkerton, Writing Coach	2015-Current
Steering Committee / pre-screening writing contest judge, Alice Munro Festival	2015-Current
Crohn's and Colitis Canada, Grey Bruce	2012-Current
Saugeen Artists Group	2013-2015

**Publications** (online/print literary journals and anthologies)**Fiction**

<i>Something for Rain</i> The Belle Journal, USA	Forthcoming
<i>Crisp and Savoury</i> Five2One Magazine	2016
<i>Factitious</i> The Winnipeg Review	2016
<i>Die Ordnung in Intercourse</i> Rhubarb Magazine	2015
<i>Three Connected Stories (Neon Pink Sign, Cloistered, and Legs Like Stilts)</i> Pure Slush--Feast! Edition	2015
<i>Little More than a Boy</i> Severine Lit Mag, Volume 1, (Be)Longing	2015
<i>A Threadbare Towel</i> Synaesthesia, UK	2015
<i>Five Distancing Habits</i> Crab Fat Magazine: The Best of Year One, An Anthology	2015
<i>Heads of Candy Floss</i> The Bohemyth, Ireland	2014
<i>A First-Rate Boy</i> New Contrast, South Africa	2014
<i>The Haze in the Smoke</i> Ricochet Magazine, AU	2014
<i>In a Clinch</i> The Gambler	2014

<i>Vinegar Chips</i> The Gambler	2014
<i>Mayor der Wolf Meets the Three Little Pigs</i> The Steel Chisel, Toronto	2014
<i>Verrueckt Play</i> Rhubarb Magazine—Mental Health Issue	2011
<i>Dear Ella</i> Ascent Aspirations Online Magazine	March, 2011
<b>Creative Nonfiction</b>	
<i>Square Dance</i> Paths of Fear (Anthology), The Pebbled Lane Books Series, USA	2016
<i>Split Second</i> Two Cities Review, Online, USA	2016
<i>Red Beets Mingle with Potato Skins</i> Nom-Fiction (Big Truths) Print Edition (Anthology), USA	2016
<i>Where Dogs Fart</i> Foliate Oak Literary Magazine, USA	2015
<i>Room with a View</i> Morelmag.ca	2015
<i>When One Treatment Won't Do</i> Jenny, USA	2015
<i>AKA Robin</i> Unfinished Chapters (Anthology), USA	2015
<i>Nothing by Mouth</i> Tincture, AU	2015
<i>Ringo</i> Tincture, AU	2015

## **Non-Fiction (articles / opinion editorials)**

<i>People's Best Friend--Why Having a Dog Matters</i> Renaissance Magazine, Retired Teachers of Ontario	Forthcoming
<i>Caught up in the Truth--an essay about writing creative non-fiction</i> The Town Crier, blog of the Puritan	2015
<i>Back to Nature</i> Rural Voice	2014
<i>Move Over Three R's</i> CAP Journal	2011
<i>Lead at the Elbow,</i> Leaders and Learners	Summer 2011
<i>Technology in the Classroom Isn't Utopia</i> SNOW Online	2011
<i>What's the skinny on social networking for teens?</i> <i>Do the benefits outweigh the concerns?</i> Ontario Principals' Council magazine, Register	Winter 2010
<i>The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Being selective in the fuel choices we make</i> Girlworks Magazine	August 2010
<i>The Meaning of Green</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	January 2010
<i>The Word Hermaphrodite is Inappropriate for People</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	October 2009
<i>Far North</i> New Hamburg Independent	Nov. 2009
<i>Natural to the Rescue</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	Sept. 2009
<i>Just because you cannot see your colon, do not ignore</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	Sept. 2009
<i>When you Drive, Do not Talk on the Cell Phone</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	Aug. 2009

<i>Turmeric! Super Food or Just a Spice?</i> Open Magazine	2009
<i>Today's High-Tech Students Make Me Feel Like a Digital Immigrant</i> Waterloo Region Record	2009
<i>Bee Population Decline Threatens Food Supply</i> New Hamburg Independent	Aug. 2009
<i>Today's High-tech Students Make me feel like a Digital Immigrant</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	July 2009
<i>Herbes de Provence: A Taste of the French Riviera</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	July 2009
<i>If you Help Another You just Might help Yourself</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	May 2009
<i>Simple Flu Shot could have Saved me Considerable Misery</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	March 2009
<i>Lyndon Fish Hatcheries Always Striving to Move Forward</i> New Hamburg Independent	March 2009
<i>Buzz on Bees</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	March 2009
<i>The Roundabout Dance—Who is Leading?</i> Waterloo Region Record Community Editorial Board	Jan. 2009
<i>Tipping the Scales of Balance your Way</i> Open Magazine: A magazine of Integrated Health	Winter 2008
<i>Experiencing Different Culture</i> Korea Times	August 2008
<i>Changes to Safe Schools Act gives Educators more Options</i> Waterloo Chronicle	April 2008
<i>Attention Deficit Disorder and Girls</i> The CAP Journal, Resources for school-based leadership	Winter 2007
<i>From Nigeria to Yellowknife to Qatar</i> New Hamburg Independent	July 2007

*Claynook Farms Owners help 14-year-old grow his business*  
New Hamburg Independent March 2007

*A Diary of a Successful Wilmot Township Farmer*  
New Hamburg Independent March 2007

*Putting down the Chalk*  
New Hamburg Independent Nov. 2006

*Students are Fortunate to have Many Educational Options*  
Waterloo Chronicle Nov. 2006

*Bonding over books: Friendships and Love of Reading Grow*  
Abilities: Canada's magazine people Fall 2006

*Whose Wellness? Theirs or Ours?*  
The CAP Journal Spring 2006

#### **Book / Resource Reviews (sample of titles)**

*Tim Wynne-Jones' book Rex Zero*  
Waterloo Region Record April 2011

*Lesley Choyce's book Random*  
Waterloo Region Record April 2011

*Eric Walter's book Shaken*  
Waterloo Region Record Feb. 2011

*Dogfight: A Love Story*  
Waterloo Region Record Feb. 2011

#### **Readings / Workshops / Other**

*Clutched by the Hair*  
<http://playme.podbean.com/e/29-playme-clutched-by-a-hair/>  
PlayME Podcast, Expect Theatre, Toronto 2016

*Canadian Federation of University Women, Saugeen Branch*  
'Getting Started' on Writing--a talk for beginning and experienced writers April 2016

*Author Reading via Skype*  
Rhubarb Magazine, Winnipeg Feb. 2016

<i>Local Pre-screening Judge, Alice Munro Festival of the Short Story Writing Competition</i> Wingham, Ontario	2015 & 2016
<i>Initiated a monthly Face-to-Face Writers' Group</i> Walkerton, Ontario	2015-present
<i>Participate in a 2nd Face-to-Face Writing Group and an online writing group</i> Paisley, Ontario and online	2016-present