SAMUEL FELDSTEIN

WRITER, EDITOR

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EDUCATION

Chapman University Dodge College of Film and Media Arts

Orange, CA | December 2018

• MFA, Screenwriting, withdrew

University of Iowa

Iowa City, IA | December 2016

• BA, English and Creative Writing, cum laude

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Development Assistant @ Sugar23

November 2022 – December 2023 | Hollywood, CA

- Evaluated manuscripts for a notable Hollywood production company.
- Wrote comprehensive script coverage analyzing adaptation and market potential.
- Offered adaptation recommendations that informed executive decision-making.

Freelance Journalist @ The Big Bend Sentinel

September 2022 – December 2023 | Marfa, TX

- Wrote informative, engaging, accessible articles covering community events and grassroots activism.
- Interviewed community leaders, activists, and local stakeholders to ensure accurate representation.

Donor Engagement Specialist @ Lear Solutions

May 2019 – December 2019 | Santa Ana, CA

- Raised a projected -\$300,000 in recurring donations for high-impact nonprofits including the ASPCA and Doctors Without Borders.
- Improved donor retention and long-term contributions through persuasive face-to-face engagement.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Bookseller @ Composition Bookshop

April 2025 – Present | Longmont, CO

- Build custom web applications to streamline store processes.
- Maintain extensive knowledge of popular genres, authors, and literary trends.
- Provide tailored guidance and recommendations to customers.

Freelance Web Designer & Developer

April 2024 – Present | Boulder, CO

- Build bespoke websites with modern web technologies and frameworks.
- Employ strategic asset caching, component-driven design, and other performance strategies.
- Integrate headless content management systems, allowing independent client updates.

General Manager @ The Sentinel

November 2020 – November 2021 | Marfa, TX

- Led hiring efforts by writing job postings and interviewing candidates.
- Implemented a standardized training program to ensure consistency and efficiency.
- Oversaw inventory, ordering, and vendor relations to ensure seamless operations.

PUBLICATIONS

Made of Memories

Short Story | Tales to Terrify | December 2023

Big Bend Reproductive Coalition Launches Community Needs Assessment

News Article | The Big Bend Sentinel | August 2023

Trans-Pecos Festival of Music + Love Doubles as Platform for Advocacy and Outreach

News Article | The Big Bend Sentinel | October 2022

VOLUNTEER

Wix Developer & Horseback Riding Instructor @ Community Health and Equine Coalition

April 2024 – May 2024 | Galveston, TX

Enhanced user experience and accessibility, and integrated a secure payment gateway.

Volunteer @ Workaway

April 2024 – September 2024 | Various Locations

Volunteered for various organizations and individuals alongside Workawayers from Hungary, Italy, Spain, and France.

Theater Staff @ The Frida Cinema

March 2019 – March 2020 | Santa Ana, CA

Assisted with theater operations, provided excellent customer service, and occasionally wrote for the blog.

SELECTED PROJECTS

ReGreen Big Bend

Website | February 2025

A custom WordPress site for an environmental restoration project in Far West Texas.

Postoley Dance Ensemble

Website | February 2025

A website for an independent folk dance studio in Boulder. Built with Astro and Netlify.

Prairie Rose Arena

Website | May 2024

A custom static website for an equestrian event center in Iowa. Built with Eleventy and Netlify.

SKILLS

Website copy, journalism, creative works Interviewing and engagement Research and fact-checking Web publishing workflows Search Engine Optimization Typography and formatting Content Management Systems Web Design and Development Accessibility best practices