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## KEY SKILLS

### Soft Skills

- Communication
- Marketing
- National/global focus
- News judgment
- Networking
- Perceptive and empathetic
- Project management
- Storytelling

### Hard Skills

- Digital marketing
- Editing and proofreading
- Hiring, contracting vendors
- Internet-assisted reporting
- Interviewing
- Public speaking
- Synthesizing information
- Teaching and training
- ‘Translating’ medical/scientific info.
- Writing for diverse audiences

### Technical Skills

- Advanced Mac and MS apps
- Digital photo/video editing
- English (native)
- French (proficient)
- Social media strategy
- Type 80+ wpm
- Web content writing
- Website design (Sparkle)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Author - Journalist - Speaker *1995 - Present*

- Interviewed nearly 100 behavioral researchers, mental health professionals, leading religious and political figures, et al for *Stonewall Strong: Gay Men’s Heroic Fight for Resilience, Good Health, and a Strong Community* (Rowman & Littlefield, 2017).
- Built audience via dedicated Facebook page for my book *Tough Love: A Washington Reporter Finds Resilience, Ruin, and Zombies in His ‘Other Connecticut’ Hometown*, high-performing posts frequently reaching >1,000.
- Blog about health/medical and LGBT subjects for *Huffington Post* since 2011.
- Authored feature articles for *The Atlantic*, the *Washington Post*, *Men’s Fitness* magazine, and many other media outlets.
- Awards and critical acclaim for my earlier books, *Victory Deferred: How AIDS Changed Gay Life in America* (University of Chicago Press); *Hot Stuff: A Brief History of Disco/Dance Music* (HarperEntertainment); and *Wilhelmina Goes Wandering* (indie-published).
- Read and discuss my books at universities, high schools, and elementary schools.
- Featured in two BBC television documentaries; interviewed and profiled by BBC Radio; NPR, Radio Netherlands, Deutsche Velle (German Worldwide Radio), HuffPost Live, and RT; and print interviews and profiles across the United States.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE *continued***

**Communication consultant**

**Senior Technical Advisor**

**John Snow, Inc.**

Boston, Mass. | 2016 - 2017

- Developed social media “best practice” blog posts for [AIDS.gov](http://AIDS.gov), the U.S. government’s principal HIV-AIDS information portal, including the site’s first blog to be selected as a federal model.
- Collaborated within virtual team to inventory all federal government HIV-AIDS social media to create new social media index for all federal HIV-AIDS social content.
- Interviewed project staff, researched medical and policy literature, synthesized information into 10,000-word final project report for a nationwide Health Resources and Services Administration-supported technical assistance project.

**Adjunct faculty**

**Journalism instructor**

**Three Rivers Community College**

Norwich, Conn. | 2016

- Redesigned and instructed the college’s only journalism course, from traditional newspapering to digital storytelling and savvy news consumption.

**Communication Instructor**

**Eastern Connecticut State University**

Willimantic, Conn. 2014

- Created and instructed two new hands-on courses: Emergent Media Reporting (digital storytelling), and Social Media Strategy.

**Communication consultant**

**Owner, Health & Science Reporting, Inc.**

Washington, D.C. | 2004 - 2009

Projects for global public health consulting firms and U.S. government agencies included:

- Traveling to Zambia to support a group of physicians and technical specialists with presentation for international public health meeting.
- Interviewing senior staff in Seattle and Washington, D.C., and at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, to develop a monograph on the role of NGOs in rolling-out new medical technologies in the developing world.
- Producing meeting summary reports for national conferences organized by the Department of Veterans Affairs; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); and the National Cancer Institute.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE** *continued*

**Senior editor**

**Family Health International (FHI360)**

Washington, D.C. | 2001 - 2004

- Managed the production of multi-author training manuals, in English and French, globally disseminated.
- Wrote winning \$35 million U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) grant proposal.
- Chief point person in headquarters of \$100 million global AIDS education project during year-long organization-wide rebranding; massive content conversion to a CMS system; and development of a new, highly visited (>1 million visitors/month) website.
- Traveled to Nigeria, Haiti, and St. Kitts to advise country programs on media strategy, reporting and documentation of their community-level HIV-AIDS educational programs.

**Training coordinator**

**American Psychiatric Association**

Washington, D.C. | 1991 - 1995

- Developed a multipart, multi-author training curriculum to train psychiatrists and other mental health professionals on HIV-related mental health issues.
- Organized and provided on-site logistical support for training conferences for mental health professionals across the country.

**Freelance reporter**

Washington, D.C. | 1989 - 1991

- Reported and wrote “front-of-the-book” shorts and feature articles for Washington, DC and national magazines and newspapers, including *Men’s Fitness*, *USA Weekend*, *Washington Dossier* magazine, and the *Washington Post*.

**Writer/publicist**

**National AIDS Network**

Washington, D.C. | 1988 - 1989

- Interviewed pioneering community HIV-AIDS service providers across the United States for nationally circulated newsletters.
- Gave interviews on HIV-AIDS policy to news media.

**Writer/editor**

**American Forest Council**

Washington, D.C. | 1986 - 1987

- Researched and wrote articles, and edited staff-contributed content, for eight different newsletters on economic, industry, and policy issues of interest to the forestry sector and forest products industry.

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Organized, hosted, and publicized on-air political debate of all city council candidates in Norwich, Conn.
- Candidate for Norwich, Conn. city council.
- Communication advisor, Bob Zarnetske for Mayor campaign, Norwich, Conn.
- Organized citywide 60th anniversary rededication ceremony for the Norwich Memorial Rose Garden.
- Communications sub-chair for Southern Africa Partnership Committee, a unique alliance between the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, D.C., and the Anglican Church of Southern Africa.
- President, 1825 Florida Ave. NW (Washington, D.C.) condominium association.

## HONORS & DISTINCTIONS

- **The Smithsonian Institution - National Museum of American History** in 2009 created the “John-Manuel Andriote *Hot Stuff* Collection” of materials I used to develop my 2001 book *Hot Stuff: A Brief History of Disco*.
- **The Smithsonian Institution - National Museum of American History** in 2008 created the “John-Manuel Andriote *Victory Deferred* Collection” of interviews and reporting archives I used to develop the book.
- **Winner: Lambda Literary Awards “Editor’s Choice”** (2000) for *Victory Deferred*.
- **Honored Book:** American Library Association (2000) for *Victory Deferred*.
- **Finalist:** Publishing Triangle Randy Shilts Award (2000) for *Victory Deferred*.

## EDUCATION

### **M.S., Journalism**

Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois

### **B.A., English Language & Literature**

Gordon College, Wenham, Massachusetts