

Valerie Frankel

Skills

Minor in Spanish, some French and Hebrew. Storytelling. Write articles, satire, and young adult novels. Teach theater, dance, myth, creative writing, and composition. Experienced in web site design, internet, gamewriting, and other computer skills.

Experience

1999-2005 Self Employed Sunnyvale, CA

Reviewer and Fiction Writer

Write travel articles, news articles, interviews, short stories, novels, and reviews.

- Steady Reviewer for *Bookreview.com*, *GM Review* & *The Drexel Online Journal*
- Expert in mythology and world folklore, widely read in children's and YA fiction
- News articles, reviews, and fiction published in 60 magazines (clips available).
- Editor/writer for *Seele*, *Voyeur Arts*, *The Sneeze*, & *Writing Life* Magazines.

2003-2005 BEST SAT Review Cupertino, CA

SAT Preview, Creative Writing, SAT I Verbal, and SAT II Writing Teacher

Teach classes of grammar and writing to gifted high school students each quarter.

- Create lesson plans, tests, curriculums, activities and games. Outside tutoring.
- Students improve 100-300 points on tests after eight weeks of training.
- Formulated much of the instruction material for English-related classes.

2002-2004 San Jose State University San Jose, CA

Teaching Associate

- Taught University Composition 1A, Assistant Taught creative writing classes.
- Designed new material, participated in mass exam grading.

1996-1999 Congregation Beth David Saratoga, CA

Office Assistant

- Copy machine operator, office receptionist, filing.
- Rang up gift shop sales, computer skills, data processing.
- Handled mail including checks, office organizer.

Education

2002-2004 San Jose State University San Jose, CA
MFA in Creative Writing, emphasis in Fiction and Nonfiction. Thesis available.

1998-2002 University of California, Davis Davis, CA
BA in English: Creative Writing, with Spanish and Education Minors.

- Junior year spent at University of East Anglia, Norwich, United Kingdom.
- 9 years of Religious school, Bat Mitzvah and Assistant Teacher's certificate.

Interests

15 years of theater, storytelling, dance (folk, jazz, ballet, tap, ballroom), reading, writing fiction & articles, travel, swimming, crafts, magic tricks, electric piano.

