

MOLLY SAMUEL

EXPERIENCE

Reporter, WABE News, Atlanta, Georgia, November 2014 to present

- Report daily news and features, focusing especially on the environment with stories on energy, water, climate change, agriculture, endangered species, policy and infrastructure. Skilled in reporting breaking news, as well as developing sound-rich, character-driven enterprise stories and planning in-depth series and multimedia projects.
- Participate as member of NPR's Energy and Environment team, a national collaborative reporting initiative.
- File national stories for Marketplace and NPR.
- Train and mentor interns and new reporters; fill in as news anchor and editor.

Reporter/Producer, KQED Science, San Francisco, California, January 2012 to November 2014

- Reported daily news and features on science in the Bay Area, covering environment, climate change, water, energy, biodiversity and policy for KQED Public Radio's local radio news and for the statewide show, *The California Report*.
- Edited and wrote for KQED Science online, edited KQED Science homepage, conceived interactive online features, managed @KQEDscience on Twitter and Instagram.
- Hired and trained interns.

Independent Journalist, San Francisco, California, June 2007 to January 2012

- **On-Call Producer** at KQED Public Radio
 - Produced and directed *The California Report* and local morning newscasts. Edited scripts, reported breaking news and directed a live-to-tape daily statewide news program.
- **Freelance Reporter** for *The California Report*, *High Country News*, KALW News, *Philosophy Talk*, KQED News, *The Oakland Standard*, *Snap Judgment*, NPR, CNN.com.

HONORS

Winner, Best Feature Reporting, Green Eyeshade Awards (Southeastern SPJ), 2018

- For a story about sea level rise in Tybee Island

Winner, Best Use of Sound, Georgia Associated Press Awards, 2018

- For a story about the sounds of a reef off Georgia's coast

Second Place, Best Series Reporting, Georgia Associated Press Awards, 2017

- For "Atlanta's Dirty Creek" series

Winner, Best Writing, Public Radio News Directors Incorporated, 2016

- A national honor for a story about stargazing in the Okefenokee Swamp

Winner, Best Specialized Reporting, Georgia Associated Press Awards, 2016

- For a story about a town fighting a plan to bring coal ash to its municipal landfill

Winner, Best Reporter, Georgia Associated Press Awards, 2015

- For environment reporting in Atlanta

Winner, Best Multiplatform Reporting on a Single Story, Georgia Associated Press Awards, 2015

- For a story about hip-hop in Atlanta

Winner, Excellence in Radio Reporting, Atlanta Press Club Award, 2015

- For ongoing coverage of coal ash

Winner, Excellence in Radio Reporting, California Journalism Award, 2014

- For enterprise reporting on crude-by-rail in California

Winner, Explanatory Journalism Category, Northern California Society of Professional Journalists, 2012

- For "Water and Power," a series produced by a team at KQED about the water-energy nexus in California

FELLOWSHIPS AND RESIDENCIES

Fellow, Metcalf Institute, 2019

Fellow, National Center for Atmospheric Research, 2013

Journalist-in-Residence, National Evolutionary Synthesis Center, 2011

Fellow, Middlebury Fellowships in Environmental Journalism, 2009 to 2010

AFFILIATIONS

Member: Society of Environmental Journalists, Atlanta Press Club

- Volunteer mentor for SEJ's mentorship program
- Active member of APC's intern committee, choosing and placing applicants for paid internships with Atlanta-area outlets

Volunteer: Vox Teen Communications, a non-profit that teaches journalism to Atlanta teenagers

- Received the 2017 "Volunteer Superhero" award
- Mentor teens on reporting and editing stories
- Worked with teens to launch a Vox podcast written, hosted and produced by the teens, teaching them audio recording and editing and how to plan a season of episodes. The teens I taught now teach their peers the same skills.

EDUCATION

Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; B.A. May 2004

Majors: Ancient Greek and Comparative Literature