# **ASHLEY P. TAYLOR**

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#### EXPERIENCE

Freelance writer and essayist	January, 2013-present
Propose, report and write science- and technology-related stor	
The New York Times, The Scientist, PopularMechanics.com, and Yale Medicine magazine	
<ul> <li>Contribute essays and reviews to such publications as</li> </ul>	
LUMINA Online Journal, Vol. 1 Brooklyn, <i>The Brooklyn Rail</i> , Catapult, and Entropy	
Co-founder and Programs Director, SciArt Center of New York, New York, NY June–October, 2014	
• Co-founded, and planned events for an organization bringing t	0
Writer and editor SciArt in America	September, 2013–October, 2014
• Contributing editor (09/13–10/13); Managing editor (11/13–10/14); Copyeditor (11/13–10/14)	
• Wrote, edited, and copyedited stories for a bimonthly, online p	
Web intern, Discover Magazine, New York, NY	September–November, 2012
• Blogged for the website of a popular science magazine on topics ranging from ants to artificial intelligence	
Copyeditor, then life sciences editor, Scienceline.org	September, 2011–December 2012
• Copyedited broad range of articles according to AP style for student-run science news website	
• Edited life science articles for content and style	
• Contributed articles on topics such as shifting energy sources,	volcanoes and stray cats
Contributor, New York Magazine, New York, NY	April, 2012–March, 2013
• Wrote 200-word profiles of New York boutiques for online sh	
Science writing intern, American Museum of Natural History, New	York, NY June–August, 2012
• Wrote news blog articles on topics from dinosaurs to coral ree	fs
• And contributed sidebars to <i>Rotunda</i> , the museum's member r	
Reporter, The Somerville News, Somerville, MA	2009–2011
• Covered everything from school bullying to tax-increment final	ancing
Associate editor, Journal of Visualized Experiments, Somerville, MA	
Wrote voice-over scripts for laboratory instructional videos pu	
Technical assistant, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Cambrid	-
Contributed to molecular-level studies of mouse brain develop	e
Intern, Rockefeller University Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program, NYC 2005	
• Investigated a class of genes, cytidine deaminases, involved in adaptive immunity	
Intern, Jackson Laboratory Summer Student Program, Bar Harbor	
• Furthered the positional cloning of a gene involved in neurom	uscular function

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/AWARDS AND HONORS**

Work listed in the "Notable Essays and Literary Fiction of 2015" in *Best American Essays 2016*, Member, the National Association of Science Writers (2014-present), Rennie Taylor/Alton Blakeslee Fellow, Council for the Advancement of Science Writing (2011), Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society (2007), two-time winner Oberlin College Leo S. Millar Memorial Prize (2005, 2007), Ohio Physiological Society Best Undergraduate Poster Prize (2006), Oberlin College Hope Hibbard Prize (2006)

### SKILLS

Fluent in French, adept at Microsoft Office, Final Cut Express, basic ProTools, WordPress, expertise in copyediting AP style

## EDUCATION

New York University	December 2012
• M.A. in Journalism, Certificate in Science, Health and Environmental Reporting	
Harvard Extension School, Cambridge, MA	2008-2009
Editing Technical Prose, Graduate Proseminar in Writing and Reporting	
Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH; B.A. in Biology with Highest Honors	2007