

Vishakha Darbha

Multimedia Journalist

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EXPERIENCE

The Atlantic, Washington, D.C. — *Associate Producer*

AUGUST 2018 - MAY 2020

Researched, wrote, reported, filmed, edited, animated and produced original videos on subjects *The Atlantic* covers, including politics, science and culture.

Shaped and managed the original series, *The Atlantic Argument*, from pitch to publishing.

Produced, edited, and created graphics for *The Idea File* video series.

Animated art for website features and articles, and their corresponding Instagram stories and posts.

Mother Jones, New York, NY — *Senior video and digital fellow*

AUGUST 2017 - JULY 2018

Reported, produced, filmed, edited and animated explainer videos and social clips for Mother Jones' YouTube, Instagram and Facebook channels.

Curated posts and designed graphics for Mother Jones' Instagram page.

Covered breaking news, including Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, North Korea, DACA Protests, post Charlottesville protests in New York, The March for our Lives rallies, and an exclusive interview with Hillary Clinton.

Grist.org, Seattle, WA — *Video fellow*

FEBRUARY 2017 - JULY 2017

Reported, animated, filmed, edited and produced web videos, explainers and short documentaries on environmental justice, climate change, and sustainability for Grist's Webby nominated video team.

Created Grist's first video cover story, a mini documentary & explainer on Detroit's water crisis.

Reported and wrote two profiles for "Grist 50," Grist's annual collaboration of individuals taking extraordinary initiative in the field of environmentalism.

Vox.com, Washington, D.C. — *Video intern*

SEPTEMBER 2016 - DECEMBER 2016

Worked with the Managing Producer for Facebook Video to maximize social video viewership, provide creative input, research and collaborate throughout the production process for social media videos. Also pitched, wrote scripts, shot and edited videos.,

SKILLS

Equipment: Sony Fs7, Sony Fs5, Canon C100, Canon DSLRs, Zoom H4n

Software:

Basic

Advanced



EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Chicago, IL—
Master of Science in Journalism

SEPTEMBER 2015 - DECEMBER 2016

Specialization: Videography, Feature Writing

Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi

University, New Delhi, India— *Bachelor of Arts in History*

JULY 2011- MAY 2015

National University of Singapore, Singapore — *Study abroad scholarship program*

JULY 2013- MAY 2014

Courses: Geopolitics, Sociology, Gender Studies

HIGHLIGHTS

South Asian Avant-Garde (SAAG)

Anthology, *Creative Director*: A pop-up literary anthology created by a collective of South Asian writers, editors, academics, activists, translators, playwrights, journalists, visual artists and designers.

Spoke at the **AAJA 2019 Conference** on a panel about diversifying video skills

Spoke on a panel to students at Columbia University during a Climate+Justice class

Ellie 2018 Nomination- Mother Jones Social Media Team

Ellie 2018 Nomination- Grist's Umbra 21-Day Apathy Detox Project

2018 PhotoDiversity Film Festival - *The Forgotten Neighborhood: Palestinians in Chicago*; an inter-generational documentary on anti-Muslim discrimination and Palestinian activism in Chicago.

2017 Folio Eddie & Ozzie Award - Grist's Umbra 21-Day Apathy Detox Project

PROJECTS

You've Got it Made: A reported podcast that traces the history of the Indian diaspora in the U.S. Available on iTunes, Stitcher, and Google Play.