

PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

Tertiary

2000 **Master of Arts (Research).** "Online News: The integration of print and online news services at The Singapore Straits Times and The Melbourne Age." Queensland University of Technology, Australia. Online at: <<http://www.keshvani.com/thesis>>

1998 **Bachelor of Arts (Journalism), Queensland University of Technology, Australia.** Majors: Introduction to Multimedia Technology, Film and TV Scriptwriting, Supervised Project and Economics. **Course GPA – 5.75** (Scale 1 – 7, 7 highest)

1992 – 1995 **Diploma in Mass Communication, Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Singapore**

Secondary

1988 – 1991 **Cambridge 'O' Level Certificate with high distinctions in English, Literature and Science. Betty Secondary School, Singapore**

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS/SKILLS

Foreign language skills

- Proficient in written and spoken Malay
- Familiar with Hindi & Gujarati
- Studied conversational Mandarin and French

Technical Skills

PC & Macintosh solid working knowledge of:

- Adobe Photoshop
- Adobe Pagemaker
- Multimedia Applications
- Macromedia Director
- Wordprocessing
- BBEedit
- Macromedia Dreamweaver
- Macromedia Fireworks

EMPLOYMENT

July 2001
– present **Editor-in-Chief, Leonardo Electronic Almanac:** Online peer reviewed journal published under the auspices of MIT Press and Leonardo/International Society for Arts, Science & Technology. Dedicated to providing a forum for those interested in the realm where art, science and technology converge. <<http://LEA.mit.edu>>

February 2003 **Website Manager, Aga Khan Development (AKDN).** Involved with producing commercial websites for 18 schools and 7 hospitals in East Africa, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Tajikistan and Krygyz Republic for the international aid agency. <http://www.AgaKhanSchools.org> and <http://www.AgaKhanHospitals.org>

Dec 1999 – present **Editor, Editor-in-Chief, then International Co-Editor fineArt forum = art + technology net news.** Contributing to steering the creative identity of the 16-year old publication, focused on forming alliances with arts and Internet organisations internationally and within the Asia Pacific region <<http://www.fineartforum.org>>.

- January – May 2001 **Publicist, 14th Singapore International Film Festival.** Responsible for press liaison/publicity strategy, on-line web coordination, and information architecture. <<http://www.filmfest.org.sg>>
- July 1999 – Aug 2002 **Managing Editor, Communique Online**
Facilitating the news production process, teaching and guiding 3rd year Journalism students in online journalism.
- Dec 1998 – Jan 2001 **Webmaster, Public Journalism Project**
Website concept, development, production and maintenance for QUT's award-winning Public Journalism Project. <<http://www.publicjournalism.qut.edu.au>>
- March 1999 – January 2001 **Web Developer, Centre for Media Policy & Practice, QUT Digital Media Programme and School of Media and Journalism websites**
Designed, developed and produced Centre for Media Policy & Practice <<http://www.maj.arts.qut.edu.au/cmpp>> and QUT Digital Media <<http://www.maj.arts.qut.edu.au/Media/dm/index.html>> websites. Web maintenance for School of Media & Journalism site <<http://www.maj.arts.qut.edu.au>>.
- 2000 **Sports Reporter, Sydney 2000 Olympics News Service.**
Filed match reports, athlete profiles, and press conference highlights.
- 1996 – 1998 **Reporter/Staff Officer, Singapore Police Force, Public Affairs Department**
Responsible for the coverage of Force-wide activities and production of *Police Life Monthly* magazine, newsletters, brochures and collaterals. Produced Police 21st Anniversary "Tribute to Our Officers" book and also involved with foreign visit programmes and events management.
- 1995 **Student Intern, Saigon Mobile Radio Network Centre (SMR), Vietnam.** Sales & Marketing. Designed a full marketing communications plan, brochure for SMR's telecommunications system and selling aid for sales personnel.
- 1994 – 2000 **Correspondent, Asian Sources Media Group, (Manila)**
Writing country reports, trade show reviews & product surveys for Gifts & Home Products, Hardwares and Fashion Accessories magazines.
- 1994 **Student Intern, Television Corporation Singapore (Singapore's national broadcaster).** Sports Unit. Involved with World Cup USA'94 coverage. Wrote scripts/edited soccer matches for weekly 'World of Sports' program. Compiled/wrote leads of foreign sports news for weekly highlights.
- 1993 **Sports Reporter, The Straits Times, (Singapore's national daily)**
Covered Hockey & the traditional martial arts beat for 17th South East Asian Games.
- 1993 – present **Freelance Journalist, Print and online publications,** Writing film reviews, features, travel, sports and trade stories for various publications - SIM's Today's Manager, Media Mail, ADAM, Singapore magazine, Movies On-line, smallplaces.com, monster.com, Worldroom.com, and Leonardo Digital Reviews (MIT Press USA).

CAREER GOAL

Position, in any area of journalism, public relations, marketing communications, electronic publishing, web development or education requiring planning, highly developed interpersonal and writing skills.

References available upon request