

Christy Frank

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■ Mission

To bear witness and serve as a catalyst for change through my visual storytelling and writing. I am passionate about protecting the wild by deepening our connection to each other and nature.

■ Education

The University of Toledo Toledo, OH
Master of Business Administration, August 2011
Dual Major: Marketing and Information Systems

The University of Toledo Toledo, OH
Bachelor of Arts, May 2006
Dual Concentration: Public Relations and Journalism
magna cum laude

■ Additional Skills

- FAA Licensed Remote Drone Pilot

■ Significant Recent Exhibits, Publications & Awards

- Traveling Photo Exhibition for Conservation Outreach: April 2021-June 2021 – “The Forgotten Wolf?”
Currently located at the Audubon Center in Columbus, Ohio
- CBS News, Nov 2020, “Wild Turkeys and Hope”
- National Wildlife Magazine, Oct 2020 Issue, Red Wolf Article photography
- PBS Nature, August 2020, Assistant for ‘Backyard Nature’ Digital Short on Opossum
- Toledo City Paper, July 2020 Issue, Photography in policing article
- mLive, July 10, 2020, Maumee River algae boom photography
- Toledo City Paper, June 2020 Issue, Written Article: Protesting a Broken System, Issue cover photo, Local Voices photography
- Toledo City Paper, May 2020, Photography for Rights of Nature Article
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife, 2020, Website photography of red wolves
- Destination Toledo, May 2020, Migratory bird photography and information
- Perrysburg Messenger Journal, April 2020, Bird migration photography and clip
- mLive, July 2019, Lake Erie algae photography
- Nature’s Best Photography Magazine 2019, conservation story
- Photographers Without Borders Magazine, 2017
- The Independent Collegian, 2017, Photography and interview from Sumatra and palm oil work
- Handbook of Research on ePortfolios, by Ali Jafari and Catherine Kaufman
- Highly Honored: Conservation Story - 2019 Nature’s Best Windland Smith Rice International Award
- First Place: Portraits - Toledo Photo Arts Annual Contest
- 20 Under 40 Nominee, 2019 and 2020

■ Relevant Professional Experience

Christy Frank Photography, Toledo, Ohio

2011-Current

Owner/Founder

- Extensive experience capturing still images and video of wildlife, people, events, and landscapes in locations worldwide.
- Research environmental issues and gather further information via interviews, networking, meetings, and fieldwork.
- Develop and maintain positive relationships with local and nonlocal environmental conservation organizations.
- Cultivate excellent relationships with scientists, fellow filmmakers, media personnel, NGO staff and many others in conservation and environmental work.
- Speak about environmental and human-interest stories to organizations and schools to raise awareness and/or funding.

- Write about important issues surrounding science, conservation, justice, and human interest.
- Share images and stories on social media for increased understanding and inspiration.
- Grant writing experience to support multimedia projects as well as for NGO funding needs.
- Part of multiple photo exhibits, always with an emphasis on education, outreach, and funding for conservation.

Little Sprouts Academy, Toledo, Ohio

December 2006-Current

Founder

- Established urban preschool centered on environmental sustainability, health, education, and community.
- Contracted provider with ODJFS to provide care for families obtaining public assistance.
- Award winning program with Toledo Area Parent.
- Highly Rated 3 Star Award Winner with the State of Ohio

Lucas County Probate Court, Toledo, Ohio

November 2007-Present

Public Relations and IT Manager

- Write press releases for court functions.
- Create fresh content for internal and public websites and social media.
- Administer campaign events and design materials used for campaigns.
- Conference project management and support.
- Maintain knowledge of new computing technologies and devices, including server administration requirements, security, virtualization, database operations, and networking.
- Supervise department in charge of technical support for staff, including training and resolution of all computing issues.
- Write grants to obtain funding for various court operations.

The University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio

Fall 2016-Spring 2019

Adjunct Professor

- Plan curriculum and teach courses in the Communication Department.
- Guide students to understand various aspects of communication including use in media, interpersonal, and business.

■ Relevant Leadership and Volunteer Experience

The Nature Conservancy/Oak Openings Green Ribbon Initiative
 Black Swamp Conservancy
 Maumee Rotary/Rotaract
 McKinley STEMM
 African Wildlife Foundation
 Sumatran Wildlife Sanctuary
 Contac Festival Exhibition
 ASK-After School Klub
 Lucas County Children Services