***Judy Gruen***

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**EXPERIENCE**

**Journalist, author and editor**  1988 - Present

**Published books:**

*The Skeptic and the Rabbi: Falling in Love with Faith (*She Writes Press, September 2017*)*

*Till We Eat Again: A Second Helping* (CreateSpace, May 2012)

*MBA Admissions for Smarties: The No-Nonsense Guide to Acceptance at Top Business Schools*

*(with Linda Abraham)* (CreateSpace, November 2011)

*Law School Letters of Recommendation that Rock* (eBook, Accepted.com, 2010)

*MBA Letters of Recommendation that Rock* (eBook, Accepted.com, 2009)

*The Women’s Daily Irony Supplement* (Creative Minds, May 2007)

*Carpool Tunnel Syndrome: Motherhood as Shuttle Diplomacy* (Champion Press, 2002)

**Ghostwriting, developmental and copy editing:**

Non-fiction books on Jewish spirituality, memoirs, psychology, and communication

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**Bylined features, commentary, and essays:**

*Wall Street Journal, New York Daily News, Chicago Tribune, Orange County Register, Christian*

*Science Monitor, Jewish Journal of Los Angeles, The Wisdom Daily, Woman’s Day, Family*

*Circle, Northwestern, Los Angeles Times, Washington Times, Aish.com, Jewish Journal, ReadtheSpirit.com,* and other outlets.

**Work published in anthologies**:

*Fits, Starts & Matters of the Heart: 28 True Stories of Love, Loss & Everything In Between*

(February 2011, FreelanceSuccess.com), *Chicken Soup for the Soul: Shaping the New You*

*(December 2010) Mirth of a Nation*, (HarperCollins, 2002); *101 Damnations: The Humorists’ Tour of Personal Hells*, (St. Martin’s Press, 2002); *Chocolate for a Woman’s Courage*, (Simon & Schuster, 2002), and ParentLaughs (Grammercy Books, 2006).

**Public Speaking and Teaching:**

Jerusalem Women’s Writers Seminar (May 2019, 2020, 2021) – writing workshops

Erma Bombeck Humor Writers Conference (University of Dayton), Celebration of Jewish Books (American Jewish University), and several private groups.

**Accepted.com** – Consultant and writer 1996-2015; 2020-present

*Los Angeles, California*

Guided grad school applicants with application essays and edited their work. Clients accepted to top-tier business and law programs internationally. Currently write blog posts and marketing materials.

**National Medical Enterprises, Corporate Communications Department --** Editor

*Los Angeles, California* July 1987- July 1988

Planned and wrote content and managed production of monthly newsletter for 70,000 employees worldwide; quarterly newsletter for nurses in company’s acute care hospitals, and the company’s first employee annual report. (National Medical Enterprises later became Tenet HealthCare.)

**UCLA Health Sciences Communications --** Staff WriterFebruary 1983 - August 1985 *Los Angeles, California*

Wrote articles for alumni magazines for the UCLA Schools of Medicine, Dentistry and Public Health. Ghostwrote op-eds for UCLA physicians for the *Los Angeles Times;* news releases for UCLA Medical Center; articles on Medical Center programs for medical trade journals.

**Creative Age Publications –** Staff WriterOctober 1982 – February 1983

*North Hollywood, California*

Wrote for magazines including *Emergency Medical Services*, and *Dialysis & Transplantation.*

**EDUCATION**

B.A., English, University of California, Berkeley - 1983

M.S.J., Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University - 1986

**AWARDS**

Online Columnist Award – Humor, National Society of Newspaper Columnists, 2009

Gold Award – Humor - *The Women's Daily Irony Supplement* by ForeWord Magazine, 2008

First Place Award – Humor -- *Till We Eat Again: Confessions of a Diet Dropout,* by Midwest Independent Publishers Association, 2003

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Authors Guild

Editorial Freelancers’ Association

*Bylined work available on* [***Contently.com***](https://judygruen.contently.com/)