

Cari A. Misseri

Writer & Garden Blogger

georgiagalgardens.com

EXPERIENCE

georgiagalgardens.com, Athens, GA — **Owner, Administrator, Writer, Designer, Photographer, and Editor** January 2013 - Present

This backyard, organic gardening blog I created runs on Wordpress. I will talk in detail about this website on the following Projects page.

Sign*A*Rama, Athens, GA — **Co-Owner, Account Specialist, and Sales & Office Manager** July 2005 - January 2011

Handled customer requests for signage, as well as actively pursuing new clients through networking. Sold and produced interior and exterior signs, and promotional items- including trade show displays, channel letters, real estate signs, and HDU foam signs.

Responsible for organization of the workflow, accounting & payroll, accounts payable and receivable, managing the production and design staff, and the scheduling of all jobs and office related duties.

The UPS Store, Athens & Atlanta, GA — **Customer Service, Document Production & Sales Specialist** October 1999 - July 2005

Assisted customers with shipping, and with document production & replication. Created content for brochures, business materials, and presentations. Worked as inventory & supply ordering manager.

EDUCATION

The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

August 2013 - December 2014 **Bachelor of Arts - English**

I returned to UGA in 2013, to finally complete my degree in English Literature. I graduated in December 2014, and found this to be the most rewarding learning experience of my life.

Young Harris College, Young Harris, Georgia

August 1995 - May 1997 **Associate of Arts**

After YHC, I attended the University of Georgia. A year later, a temporary break from UGA became a 15 year hiatus. In the meantime, I became a franchise business owner, and pursued my writing career.

SKILLS

Wordpress Publishing

Research/Writing

Organic Gardening & Appalachian Folk Culture

Web Content Writing

Content Review/Editing

Literary Analysis

Organization & Scheduling

MS Office & QuickBooks

Office Management

Customer Service & Confidentiality

Product Sales & Service

Data Entry 65 wpm

AWARDS

Dean's List at the University of Georgia- GPA of 3.85 or above, 2014.

The Optimist Club Essay Contest First Place

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Spanish- Hablo Español

Real Estate Valuation

Document Production

RELEVANT PROJECTS

Georgia Gal Gardens— georgiagalgardens.com

I began this project in 2013. I love taking photos of plants & nature. Because I am also a writer, I wanted to meld the two together into a blog. I share my love of nature and organic gardening.

After returning to finish my English degree in 2013, I created pages on my blog to showcase some of my analytical essays and writing. I completed several nature themed writing portfolios while at UGA. They are currently published on my blog, but I have plans to create another site for my essays & other writings.

Biking & Hiking trails of the Southeast

I am continuing a writing/adventure project I started on my existing gardening blog. The new blog I am creating will focus on biking & hiking trails in Georgia and the Southeast, and the surrounding natural environments.

Learning new skills quickly, and writing in different genres are two of my major strengths. I am honest, dependable, and loyal. I excel at organization, time & office management, and administrative tasks. I work well independently, or with others in either a supervisory or assistant role.

I love reading, gardening, cooking and baking, and all things mountain folk related. I grew up mostly in western North Carolina, but have lived in Georgia, Florida, and Ohio. I have lived in Athens, and now Bogart, Georgia for over fifteen years. I am passionate about this community. I am self-motivated, dedicated, eager to learn new things, and I have a great attitude.