

Jim MacMillan

Multimedia journalist, educator and social innovator in Philadelphia

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At present

Philadelphia Center for Gun Violence Reporting - Founder and director, 2020-present
Developing new center housed at the Institute for Community Engagement and Civic Leadership at Community College of Philadelphia, and managing the Center's inaugural program: The Credible Messenger Reporting Project.

The Initiative for Better Gun Violence Reporting - Founder and director, 2019-present
Convening thought leaders to develop a set of best practices for journalists reporting on gun violence and exploring the hypothesis that new methods can prevent shootings and save lives.

Fellowships and residencies

Residential Fellow, Reynolds Journalism Institute, Missouri School of Journalism, 2019-2020
Journalist in Residence, Swarthmore College, 2010-2013
Fellow, Philadelphia Social Innovations Lab, University of Pennsylvania, 2013
Practitioner in Residence, Institute for Global Leadership, Tufts University, 2009
Ochberg Fellow, Dart Center for Journalism and Trauma, Columbia University, 2007
Knight Fellow in Medicine/Health Sciences Journalism, Knight-Wallace Fellows, University of Michigan, 2006, 2007

Faculty appointments

Assistant Professor, University of Missouri School of Journalism, 2009-2010
Visiting Assistant Professor, Peace and Conflict Studies, Swarthmore College, 2011-2012
Adjunct Professor, Klein College of Media and Communication, Temple University, 2005-2016
Adjunct Faculty, Carter Journalism Institute, New York University, 2010-2011

Administrative appointments

Assistant director for external affairs, Klein College of Media and Communication, Temple University, 2015-2018
Manager for Media and Social Responsibility, Lang Center for Civic and Social Responsibility, Swarthmore College, 2013

Photojournalist

Philadelphia Daily News, 1991-2008
The Associated Press, Baghdad, 2004-2005
The Times Leader, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 1988-1991
The Daily Transcript, Dedham, Mass., 1987-1988
Freelance news photographer, Boston, 1984-1987

Photojournalism honors

The Pulitzer Prize
The Bayeux Prize for War Correspondent
Sigma Delta Chi Award
National Headliner Award

Editor and producer

The Gun Crisis Reporting Project, 2012-2014
War News Radio, 2010-2013
Independent social media journalist, 2008-present
Philadelphia Daily News Video, 2007-2008

Community media honors

Best of Philly
Philadelphia Geek Awards
Pen and Pencil Club Awards
Mothers in Charge Partner in Peace
Philadelphia CeaseFire Community Award
Philadelphia Firefighters Union Media Award
Keystone Awards Distinguished Visual Journalist
Pennsylvania Associated Press Managing Editors Best of Show

Board appointments

Mothers In Charge, board of directors, 2013-present
Missouri Gun Violence Project, advisory board 2020-present
Philadelphia Obituary Project, advisory board, 2020-present
Temple University Journalism Department, 2013-2016
Generocity.org, Philadelphia, content advisory board, 2013-2015
Pen and Pencil Club, Philadelphia, 2013
Free Speech Film Festival, Philadelphia, 2012
Exposure Center for Photojournalism, Tufts University, 2006-2010

Major exhibitions

“New York, New York: The 20th Century,” Norton Museum of Art, 2011

“Manna: Masterworks from the Permanent Art Collection,” Aidekman Arts Center, Tufts University, 2014

“Overt/Covert,” Aidekman Arts Center, Tufts University, 2004

Select lectures and panels

“Questioning our assumptions: basic reporting processes, mass tragedy and engagement,” International Journalism Festival, Perugia, Italy, 2017

“Streaming Video Journalism,” IRE Conference, Philadelphia, 2015

“Gun Violence Intervention Programs,” TedX Philadelphia, 2014

“Walking Through Ground Zero,” The Hyde Collection, Glens Falls, N.Y., 2011

“Journalism and Trauma,” Auckland University, Auckland, New Zealand; University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand; Whitireia Community Polytechnic, Wellington, New Zealand; 2009

“Covering the War in Iraq,” Knight-Wallace Conference, 2007

“The Battle for Najaf,” Aidekman Arts Center, Tufts University, 2004

Education

Graduate studies in Journalism, Temple University, 1995-1996

Bachelor of Science in Education, Tufts University, 1988

Drawing, Painting and Photography, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, 1978-1983

Certifications

Human subject research, Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative, 2020

Threat assessment, Association of Threat Assessment Professionals, 2019

Hostile environment reporting, Centurion Risk Assessment Services, 2004