

The Literary Vitae of Gerianne B. Van Vugt

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Literary Integrity

I am meticulous about the quality of my literary output. My writing is clearly composed and well structured. I am, by nature, a compassionate writer and often offer unique perspectives on common topics. I am organized and creative, and I have a good sense of humour. I believe in following through on commitments.

Published Works

For my faith based literary works, please see my Theological Vitae.

June 1992 - Present. Published Articles and Books/Booklets.

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Title:</u>	<u>Published by:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
June 2001 - April 2003	Signs of The Spirit, various articles.	St. John's Anglican Church	Halifax, NS
July 2001	CP is No Excuse for Murder (Condensed article)	Ontario Association for Community Living	Owen Sound, ON
October 1997	A Little Insight (poetry book)	Independently published	Pasadena, NF
January 1997	Is That Wheelchair Really Dead?... (A creative wheelchair Repair booklet)	Independently published	Pasadena, NF
December 1993	Venture Visions, various articles (Special Edition)	The Venture Centre	Pasadena, NF
March 1990 - November 1991	Venture Visions, various articles	The Venture Centre	Pasadena, NF

1992 - 1994. Poems.

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Title:</u>	<u>Published By:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
1994	Our Town	The Western Star	Corner brook, NF
1993	There's Nothing Here	Creative Arts & Sciences	Painted Post, NY, USA
1993	It's Just A Feeling	Poetry Unlimited	Mt. Pleasant, Texas, USA
1991	He's Not One Of Us	Venture Visions (The Venture Centre)	Pasadena, NF

I have also written a variety of articles, essays and poems, which have not yet been published.

General Literary Work Experience

Pardy's Venture Centre, (Formerly "The Venture Centre") Pasadena, NF

May 1990 - October 1991: **Promotions Officer/Editor**, Paid Position

Duties included: Producing a monthly community newsletter for the Centre which encompassed research, conducting interviews, interpreting information, writing original content in both non-fiction and fictional forms, proofreading and editing works of contributors. My duties also included preparing promotional material - including flyers, pamphlets, news releases, etc. - for the Centre and its tenant businesses; assisting with preparing written reports and proposals; plus general computer duties including desk-top publishing. In addition, I was involved in the preparation and the occurrence of a live telecast between Ireland and Newfoundland, concerning economic development.

Disabled Persons Working Together, Toronto, ON

October 1985 - May 1989: **Director**, Paid Position.

Duties included: Preparing the original written content of: grant applications; information on disabilities; the organization (for both the public and the organization's membership); the organization's policies & procedures and by-laws. I also assisted other groups in developing their written organizational mandates.

Ontario March of Dimes, Hamilton, ON

May 1983 - September 1983: **Volunteer Program Co-ordinator**, Volunteer Position.

Duties included: Developing a volunteer program for this organization's Hamilton Region. Again, this encompassed the original writing of policies, procedures and mandates.

February 1982 -February 1983: **School Awareness Project Manager**, Paid Position.

Duties included: Working with a representative of the Hamilton Board of Education, to create a disability awareness teaching manual for use in classroom settings. This involved some creative writing in developing hypothetical situations that reflected examples of such things as the "wrong" and "right" way to interact with disabled persons, common misconceptions concerning disabilities, and basic facts about disabilities of various types. In addition to creating and researching these contents, I was also involved in interpreting this data to a primary school grade level. Since this manual was not finished by the project's termination date, I continued with this task in my personal time until the manual was completed. I was also responsible for preparing the draft and final original written content of proposals.

August 1981: **Accessibility Assessment Staff**, Paid Position.

Duties included: Preparing written a written evaluation as to what renovations would have to be made to selected apartment buildings within Hamilton, Ontario, in order to allow people with disabilities to live in the apartment.

September 1980 - April 1981: **College Student Field Placement**.

Duties included: Co-ordinating a public awareness program concerning myths about people with disabilities; public speaking at seminars and workshops; and developing a written public education manual, concerning disability myths, for training new staff and volunteers with the organization. Final Grade: A

Hamilton Public Library, Hamilton, ON

May 1981 - July 1981: **Project Staff**, Paid Position.

Duties included: Assisting in the establishment of the Library's Resource Centre for Disabled Persons; and completing an extensive written report on the Library's accessibility needs. This report was later used as a reference when accessibility changes were made to the library.

Information Burlington, (Burlington Public Library) Burlington, ON
January 1980 - April 1980: **College Student Field Placement.**

Duties included: Working independently to develop a public education program concerning myths about people with disabilities, which I would put into effect during my second year field placement, at the Ontario March of Dimes. This involved preparing written material, both hypothetical and factual, as well as preparing a forecasted timetable of activities and tasks. Final Grade: B.

Other Work Experience

For my Theological experience, please refer to my Theological Vitae.

For my general work experience, please refer to my General Resume.

Educational Background

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References

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