

Tamara Abikhalil

Portfolio

Editorial Writer & Publishing Professional

Journalism · Storytelling · Copy Editing

English • French • Italian

Hi, I'm Tamara

Writer • Editor • Storyteller

Writing has always been at the core of my identity. Storytelling began for me in childhood notebooks and evolved into award-winning short story fiction writing, blogging, a published novel, and professional contributions as a journalist, copywriter and copy editor to newspapers and digital publications. Today, writing is both my craft and my career.

I am an editorial writer and publishing professional with experience in journalism, manuscript development, and brand storytelling.

Writing and self-publishing my own novel, *Chasing Serendipity*, deepened my respect for structure, pacing, and the emotional architecture behind long-form writing. It also taught me the tedious but incredible attention to detail that goes behind every step of publishing a book.

I specialize in narrative clarity, structural refinement, and voice alignment across long-form writing, branding, and editorial formats. My background spans newsroom reporting, publishing house collaboration, and author-facing copy editing, with a strong foundation in psychological storytelling and structural analysis.



Brand Copywriting Work

The Brand Factory, Canada

Project: Forêt™ – Luxury Real Estate

Role: Copywriter

Scope: Website positioning & brand narrative

Short excerpt:

“Forêt is a luxurious condominium community that embodies the essence of Forest Hill.

Rising as a monument of architecture and interior design, its glamour and grace enriches the fabric of a coveted neighborhood. Combining stature, and lush green energy, Forêt exudes a timeless expression of glamour and grace.”

OLFKI Essential Oils, Switzerland

Project: Brand Development

Role: Brand Messaging Copywriter

Scope: Product positioning & storytelling

Short excerpt:

“OLFKI is a portable kit that makes olfactory training easy and aromatherapy accessible at your fingertips. Pocket-sized, its beautiful design is revolutionary compared to traditional vials. The OLFKI Kit doesn't only look good but is designed to standards that protect the essential oils.”



Journalism & Editorial Writing

L'Orient-Le Jour, Lebanese French Newspaper

<https://www.lorientlejour.com/author/6378-tamara-abikhalil>

Responsible for research, interviews and writing of editorial articles for the campus section for both the hard copy newspaper as well as the digital platform.

Screen Rant, TV Series and Movies Features Website

https://screenrant.com/author/tamara_abi-khalil/

Responsible for features articles on movies and television series analysis. Respect of specific tone of voice and editorial style of the online platform.



Publishing & Copy Editing

Hachette-Antoine

Role: Assistant to Editor: supported the editorial team during the manuscript refinement phase. language polishing, structural consistency, proofreading.

Description of responsibilities:

- Manuscript review
- Copy editing support
- Author communication
- Proofreading coordination

Independent Book Copy Editing

My editing approach balances structural rigor with voice preservation. I focus on narrative coherence, pacing, and clarity while ensuring the author's tone remains authentic and intact. Every edit aims to strengthen both the architecture and the rhythm of the manuscript.

- Sense of Tumor 2 by Raquel Bahnam
- Mira by Tony Danayan



Author, Published Book

Overview:

Chasing Serendipity is a fiction novel carrying psychological messages through the journey of Tala, a young adult navigating body shaming, bullying, and the effects of social media and television series on the psyche of young people in the modern world.

Current Selling Point: Amazon Kindle

Self-Publication Highlights:

- Worked with various Lebanese ministries to provide: ISBN & Copyrights for *Chasing Serendipity*.
- Managed the acquisition negotiations and signed contracts with: Librairie Antoine, Virgin Megastore.
- Organized book signings, school and university conferences to boost sales
- Chasing Serendipity was named Best Seller for 12 weeks at Librairie Antoine Lebanon
- Signed the book's second edition publication with New York-based Austin Macauley in 2021 and published under a 3 years contract with selling points across: Barnes & Noble, USA, Amazon Worldwide, FNAC Europe





CLIENTS FEEDBACK

Sara Sfeir

Certified Translator – OTTIAQ

“Tamara is full of creativity and wittiness, bringing a unique twist to her content. Her training skills are remarkable, with excellent editorial and copy editing skills that I supervised at her time as assitant copy editor for various books.

Reader Reviews – Chasing Serendipity

Sourced from Goodreads

“An unforgettable and emotional journey... I couldn’t put it down.”
“Tala is a character that will stay with me. Beautiful writing, full of insight.”

[goodreadsreviews](#)

Roula Douglas

Editor-in-chief, L’Orient-Le-Jour Campus

“Tamara collaborated with me on the page I edit in the French speaking newspaper L’Orient-Le Jour. Quickly her passion for words, her professionalism, her ability to communicate easily with people, from different fields and backgrounds, and her punctuality made her one of my most valued collaborators.”

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