

My name is **Martine Powers**, and I'm a reporter.

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Journalism Experience

SEPT. 2014-JULY 2015 **Fulbright Fellowship**

Transportation Reporter, Trinidad & Tobago

- Interviewed politicians, public officials, engineers, and commuters on highway infrastructure, public transit, government procurement, urban design, bike advocacy, ride-sharing, and vehicular safety.
- Pitched and published news and feature stories for the Trinidad Guardian, The Miami Herald, Latterly Magazine, and OZY.
- Created and managed BadDriveTrinidad.com, a blog that reaches 20,000 readers per month and attracted 1,300 Facebook followers.

MAY 2011-AUG. 2014 **The Boston Globe**

Staff Reporter, Metro

- Reported on Boston Marathon bombings: Filed some of the first tweets from scene, wrote A1 story on day of Tsarnaev manhunt.
- Covered transportation beat for two years; broke news on MBTA, the Big Dig, legislation, billion dollar contracts, “The Bike Lobby.”
- Sparked changes: Story on transit hardships for disabled riders resulted in fare hike rollback; Sunday package on Dutch bicycle safety inspired life-saving redesign of Boston’s Comm. Avenue.
- Produced weekly transportation column and blog, Starts & Stops.
- Started as summer intern, then served 1.5 years as general assignment reporter — covered small-town murders, Ivy League scandals, gay marriage, political campaigns, tasered cows, etc.

SUMMER 2010 **The Tampa Bay Times**

Metro Intern, Clearwater Bureau

- Covered cops, crime, drownings, crashes, shootings, alligators.

SUMMER 2009 **The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette**

Multimedia Intern

- Wrote 40+ stories; shot/edited accompanying videos and audio.

2007-2010 **The Yale Daily News**

Online Managing Editor ('09-'10), City Reporter ('07-'09)

- Managed all content on YaleDailyNews.com and associated blogs.
- Pioneered the use of breaking news videos, live-blogs, podcasts, interactive graphics, audio slideshows, and social media outreach.
- Went viral: Broke news about dining hall worker accused of prostitution, and Yale art student claiming to take abortifacients for her senior project — the second-most-read article in YDN history.

Education

2007-2011 **Yale University**

B.A. in African American Studies

Yale Journalism Scholar

Awards/Achievements

- 2014: Served on the Pulitzer Prize-winning team that covered the Boston Marathon bombings
- 2014: National Association of Black Journalists Salute to Excellence Award for “Shifting Gears: Diversity in Bicycling”
- 2014: Fellowship at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics
- 2012: New England First Amendment Institute
- 2010: Mellon Grant for Research in African American Studies
- 2005: Miami Herald Student Journalist of the Year

Things I'm great at:

- Social media (4,000+ Twitter followers)
- WordPress content management
- Excel (EdX: Intermediate Data Analysis)
- Google Spreadsheets and Fusion Tables

Things I can handle:

- GarageBand
- Photoshop/InDesign
- iMovie
- Python
- Conversational Spanish

Things I do to stay sane:

- National Association of Black Journalists
- North American Transit and Transportation Press Association
- Yale Women’s Rugby Football Club, alumnae board member
- 2014 Boston Marathon, charity runner for Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts