# COLLIN CZARNECKI

# DIRECTOR OF CONTENT + STRATEGY

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#### PROFILE

Award-winning Director of Content Strategy skilled in engaging and growing audiences with 10+ years of experience in content management, creation, strategy, marketing and storytelling. With a newsroom background, I know what journalists want, and have earned clients thousands of high-profile media placements by blending a deadline-driven work ethic with long-term creative strategy.

## EDUCATION

# JOURNALISM & COMMUNICATION

Colorado State University 2009

# EXPERTISE

Content Marketing

Creative Strategy

Digital PR

Client Relationship Management

Storytelling

Brainstorming + Ideation

Graphic Design

## AWARDS

#### US SEARCH AWARDS

Finalist – Best Use of PR in Search Campaign | 2021

#### **US SEARCH AWARDS**

Winner – Best Use of Search: Real Estate | 2020

#### INTERACTIVE MARKETING AWARDS

Winner – Influencer/Outreach Campaign | 2018

# EXPERIENCE

#### DIRECTOR OF CONTENT STRATEGY

Digital Third Coast | 2017 - Present

Manage a team of five as well as a roster of clients across a variety of verticals and directly oversee content department's creative strategy, content process and overall results.

- As Director of Content Strategy, our Digital PR revenue increased by \$1.4 million within the last 14 months and our team doubled in size.
- Produced 100+ content campaigns earning a total of 6,867 lifetime media placements, including New York Times, Washington Post and Forbes.
- Create content campaigns from start to finish, including ideation, pitching to client, research, analysis, design, outreach strategy and reporting.
- Recruiting, hiring, training and managing new Digital PR team members.

#### FOUNDER + PUBLISHER

NOBLE Digital Media | 2016 - 2017

Founded a digital media publication in Nashville, which competed against established brands like Thrillist, Eater and local media. Rapidly grew an audience to 50,000+ unique visitors per month through strategic and creative content, social media, experiential marketing as well as partnerships with global brands such as Jägermeister and Lyft.

#### **REPORTER + CONTENT MANAGER**

The Tennessean | USA TODAY NETWORK | 2014 - 2016

Created compelling storytelling content that accurately informed and engaged specific audiences throughout the Nashville area. Connected with community through storytelling and outreach (social media, on-camera, events and forums). Promoted personal brand, the brands of colleagues and The Tennessean brand.

#### MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST

YMCA | 2014 - 2014

Created, repurposed and disseminated content for the Y's target audiences through email marketing, social media, blogs and print.

#### EDITOR + CONTENT MANAGER

Patch.com | 2011 - 2013

Managed Patch.com's largest hyperlocal news site in the Chicagoland area and consistently grew audience MOM by creating, editing and publishing up to seven pieces of news content daily. As video lead, I trained a team of nine editors on Patch's nation-wide video strategy.