FREELANCE JOURNALIST

Thank you for your interest in writing for 605 Magazine!



HERE IS WHAT IS NEEDED FOR A SUCCESSFUL FREELANCER:

Someone who loves South Dakota and is passionate about the community.

Someone who has journalist experience.

Someone who is great at deadlines and communicates progress and questions with the 605 editorial team.

Someone who represents themselves and 605 positively and professionally in the community and especially when on set or speaking with the interviewee.

Someone who can adapt to the **605 Writing Style Guide.** This means paying special attention to details like style bolding, accents on words, article formatting, triple checking spelling of names of people and businesses, etc.

Someone who is open to copy edits and feedback.



OTHER THINGS TO KNOW:

605 works with the freelance team to assign stories decided on by the issue's theme and/or from the editorial team's table of contents.

Story ideas can be submitted, but 605 does not accept pre-written story submissions.

Unless otherwise noted, the 605 editorial team will collaborate with the interviewee for the photo sessions. Photos are rarely ever submitted to 605 to keep the look/brand of the publication consistent. **Note:** online-only articles do have photos submitted at times.

Stories are submitted to the editorial team via Google Docs (preferably) or as a Word document.

The interviewee and/or business never reviews the story before print, unless noted by the editorial team. If they ask, explain it's against journalism ethics

Payment includes:

- \$50 for regular articles (550-650 words, plus 1-2 side bar options and 1-2 pull quotes not used in the story).
- \$100 for articles with either 850+ words, plus 1-2 side bar options and 1-2 pull quotes not used in the story or using more than two sources. If the writer finds out there are more than two source please run it by the editorial team for approval.
- Payment is sent when the story is completed and/or by the release of the issue via check. Please send an invoice if applicable or ensure the 605 team has the correct mailing address.

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