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ABOUT

Erica Gies is an independent science and environment journalist who writes about water, climate change, plants, critters, and more.

EXPERIENCE

🌟 Book author

Erica Gies is the author of [Water Always Wins: Thriving in an age of drought and deluge](#) (University of Chicago Press in North America; Head of Zeus/Bloomsbury in the UK and beyond; Zhejiang People's Publishing House in China; Tantor Media audio book). She is represented by The Martell Agency in New York.

🌟 Independent reporter

The New York Times
National Geographic
The Guardian
Ensa
Forbes
Inside Climate News
The Narwhal
Water Deeply
Pacific Standard
Enviro. Health News
SF Bay Guardian
ReThink
Earth Island Journal
Grist

Scientific American
Nature
bioGraphic
Hakai
Climate Confidential
Take Part
NY Academy of Sciences
KALW and KQED radio
China Dialogue
The Relevator
Corporate Knights
World Watch
Science News for Kids
Popular Science

The Atlantic
Wired
New Scientist
Intl Herald Tribune
New Internationalist
SF Public Press
Bay Nature
Mongabay
Blue Ridge Press
SF Gate
Nautilus
Psyche
South China Morning Post
The Economist

🌟 Speaker

- PBS Amanpour & Co / CNN
- Fox News The Next Revolution
- United Nations 2023 Water Conference
- New Mexico PBS Our Land
- American Geophysical Union Frontiers in Hydrology
- "Science Friday," National Public Radio
- American Water Resources Association conference keynote
- KERA Think
- Tucson Festival of Books presenting author
- KQED Forum
- Water Education Foundation Water Summit keynote

- CBC What on Earth
- Eco-Farm conference keynote
- “Life Matters,” RTE Radio 1 in Ireland
- BlueTech Forum keynote
- Radio New Zealand
- River Restoration Northwest keynote
- Illinois Association for Floodplain and Stormwater Management keynote
- Universities and schools including Princeton, Stanford, Duke, University of Arizona, University of Victoria, Wilson College, American International School Chennai
- U.C. California Institute for Water Resources “Recipes for Success” meeting
- Society of Environmental Journalists conferences

✪ **Photographer**

The New York Times, Scientific American, Popular Science, Yale Environment 360, bioGraphic, Take Part, ReThink, The Narwhal, E/The Environmental Magazine, Grist, the San Francisco Bay Guardian.

✪ **Co-founder**

- Climate Confidential documents the intersection of environment and technology, ideas, and innovations that have a real shot at changing the world.
- This Week in Earth showcases the expertise of a wide range of professional journalists, who offer context and pithy analysis of the week’s scientific and environment news.

EDUCATION

✪ M.A. in literature, focus in eco-criticism
San Francisco State University

✪ B.A. in English, minor in journalism
Northern Arizona University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND AWARDS

- National Geographic Explorer
- Finalist, Falling Walls Science Breakthrough of the Year prize
- California River Award, Friends of the River
- Excellence in Journalism award 2019, Renewable Natural Resources Foundation
- National Audubon Society’s “Women Greening Journalism” Special Recognition
- CUNY Resilience Journalism Fellowship
- Article published in *What Future: The year’s best ideas to reclaim, reanimate, and reinvent our future*, a 2017 anthology
- Institute for Journalism and Natural Resources Great Bear Institute Fellowship
- Elyssa Rosen Memorial Fund Fellowship
- Vermont Law School Media Fellowship
- National Association of Science Writers Career Grant
- Society of Environmental Journalists 20-20-20 Fellowship
- Scripps-Howard Institute for the Environment Fellowship
- Society of Environmental Journalists, member

VOLUNTEER

- Refugee support: two Syrian refugee families in Victoria, B.C.
- Mentor: Society of Environmental Journalists, San Francisco State, Science Interchange
- Judge: contests for Society of Environmental Journalists, Society of Professional Journalists — Northern California chapter, San Francisco Green Film Festival
- Invasive plants removal and native plant restoration: San Francisco public parks
- Elephant seal docent: Point Reyes National Seashore
- Mexican wolf recovery project: Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge
- Island fox recovery project: Channel Island National Park