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## Editorial Services Provider, Author, and Journalist

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Certified copyeditor providing a full range of professional editorial services, including copyediting, proofreading, writing, and photo research/acquisition. Clients include Bloomsbury Publishing, Candlewick Press, Disney–Hyperion, Hay House, New World Library, Scholastic, and the Virginia Arts Festival.

**Author, [www.SusanVanHecke.com](http://www.SusanVanHecke.com)** Award–winning author of fiction and nonfiction books for children and adults. Duties also include photo research and acquisition, fact checking, copyediting, and proofreading, as well as conceiving and implementing publicity campaigns for each book. Titles include:

- **Esquivel! Space–Age Sound Artist** (Charlesbridge, 2016)
- **Under the Freedom Tree** (Charlesbridge, 2014) 2014 Junior Library Guild Selection
- **Raggin' Jazzin' Rockin': A History of American Musical Instrument Makers** (Boyd's Mills Press, 2011) 2012 ALA Notable Children's Book
- **Rock 'n' Roll Soldier** (HarperCollins, 2009), with Dean Ellis Kohler, foreword by Graham Nash.
- **An Apple Pie for Dinner** (Two Lions/Marshall Cavendish, 2009)
- **Roadwork: Rock & Roll Turned Inside Out** (Hal Leonard, 2007)/**Raising Hell on the Rock 'n' Roll Highway** (Omnibus UK, 2009), with Tom Wright, foreword by Pete Townshend.
- **Three Steps to Heaven: The Eddie Cochran Story** (Hal Leonard, 2003), with Bobby Cochran.
- **Race with the Devil: Gene Vincent's Life in the Fast Lane** (St. Martin's Press, 2000)

**Arts and Entertainment Journalist.** Write, fact check, and acquire photos/art for features, interviews, and reviews for a variety of publications. Work has appeared in the *Washington Post*, on the Knight–Ridder newswire, and in national magazines *Spin*, *Creem*, *Goldmine*, *Reflex*, and *Old House Journal*. Arts and entertainment correspondent for the *Virginian–Pilot*, major daily newspaper of southeastern Virginia, from 1990–2005, covering popular and classical music and dance. Children's market columnist at Authorlink.com, one of the largest online communities for readers, writers, and the publishing industry, from 2007–2013.

## Education

- **New York University**, New York, NY. BFA, film and television production.
- **Old Dominion University**, Norfolk, VA. Graduate work, English/journalism.
- **University of California**, San Diego, CA. Copyediting certificate, A average.

## Professional Memberships

Editorial Freelancers Association  
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- **Arthur A. Levine Books** Proofreading/cold reading.
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- **Disney-Hyperion** Copyediting.
- **Hay House** Copyediting.
- **New World Library** Proofreading.
- **Scholastic** Proofreading/cold reading.
- **Virginia Arts Festival** Writing, copyediting, and photo research for 2012-2015 education guides for internationally renowned performing arts festival.

On freelance roster at Hachette Book Group.

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