

# Joshua Cain

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## Work Experience

### International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE)

July 2024–March 2026

*Lead organizer, IATSE Local 871*

- Developed strategy and managed organizing campaigns targeting film and television production workers as Local 871's first staff organizer

### Southern California News Group

Jan. 2016–March 2024

*Crime & public safety reporter (February 2018–March 2024)*

- Worked collaboratively with a team of reporters covering breaking news events across Southern California, including the 2018 Woolsey fire, the 2019 Saugus High School shooting, the 2020 San Gabriel mountains fires, the onset of the coronavirus pandemic and its effect on law enforcement and other local government agencies, the 2020 George Floyd and Black Lives Matters protests, the 2021 Huntington Beach oil spill and the 2023 Cook's Corner shooting
- Led accountability coverage of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's and Los Angeles Police departments, including civilian commissions overseeing both agencies. Analyzed public data to report trends in law enforcement and public safety. Wrote stories on shootings of civilians by both departments, often as the only reporter in greater L.A. providing detailed coverage of police violence and its aftermath in the San Fernando and San Gabriel valleys. Oversight stories included coverage of the 2018 Silver Lake Trader Joe's standoff, the elections of Sheriff Alex Villanueva and District Attorney George Gascon and their effects on local politics and law enforcement policy, and the 2021 North Hollywood LAPD shooting.

*Digital news editor, San Gabriel Valley News Group (January 2016–February 2018)*

- Online editor/assistant city editor for a team of 12 reporters for the Pasadena Star-News, San Gabriel Valley Tribune and Whittier Daily News, including production of daily local news online and in print, long-form features, and investigative projects
- Led and assisted editing on several newsroom projects and features, including on local elections, wildfire aftermath packages, and [a CNPA award-winning feature](#) on the rise and fall of a Whittier man whose coding skills allowed him to rake in millions of dollars, before an FBI raid and arrest destroyed his life

### Houston Chronicle

Sep. 2014–Dec. 2015

*Fuel Fix digital editor*

- Helped edit and guide online stories for team of four oil-and-gas industry reporters for the Houston Chronicle's business section

### Houston Business Journal

Dec. 2013–Sep. 2014

*Associate editor*

- Helped weekly production of special sections, edited and wrote stories for daily newsletter and website

**Patch.com**

**Dec. 2011-Aug. 2012**

*Local editor and freelancer for Patch websites in the San Gabriel and San Fernando Valleys*

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**Community Leadership & Training**

**Asian American Journalists Association, Los Angeles chapter**

**Jan. 2020-Jan. 2022**

*At-large board member and student mentor. Ran California Reporting Scholarships program.*

**U.C. Berkeley Labor Center's Skills to Win workshop**

**Oct.-Nov. 2025**

*Six-week course on building member-driven organizations through structure tests and high-participation labor actions*

**Back Bay Publishing Board of Directors**

**July 2024-present**

*Board member of publisher of The Daily Free Press, Boston University's Independent Student Newspaper*

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**Education**

**Boston University, B.S. in Journalism**

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