

# Jennifer Sushil Saini

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## 1. EDUCATION

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Field</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Year</u> <u>Granted</u>
PhD	Sustainable Gastronomy	University of Victoria	in process
M.E.S	Environmental Movement Organization	York University	1995
B.A.	Unspecialized	Queen's University	1991

### Title of Thesis

<u>Degree</u>	<u>Title</u>
M.E.S.	Rebels without a Pause: Artists and Activist in the Clayoquot Movement (1995)

## 2. MAJOR FIELDS OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Teaching professional non-fiction
- Professional speaker on food sustainability issues
- Food and culture journalist
- Project management and large scale event coordination
- Chef of West Coast, Indian and Thai cuisine

## 3. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Title, Organization</u>
2006-2007	Teaching Assistant, School of Environmental Studies, University of Victoria
2005 – 2007	Guest Lecturer, School of Environmental Studies, University of Victoria
2005-2006	Sessional Instructor, Professional Writing. Writing Department, University of Victoria
2005	Professional Writing Instructor, Victoria School of Writing and independent courses. Victoria, BC
1999 – 2005	Freelance journalist, national and international publications. Victoria, BC
2001 – 2004	Regular Columnist – Food and Culture, Monday Magazine. Victoria, BC

- 2004 Director of Culinary Arts Programming, World Feast Stage at FolkFest, TNT Productions. Victoria BC
- 2003 – 2004 Coordinator, Canadian Slow Food Heritage Wheat Presidium. Victoria, BC
- 1996 – 1998 Executive Chef and Restaurant Manager. Common Loaf, Tofino, BC
- 1997 Instructor, Fine Indian Cuisine. North Island College, Tofino, BC
- 1993 – 1995 Campaign coordinator and media spokesperson, The Friends of Clayoquot Sound. Tofino, BC
- 1992 – 1993 Editor, Undercurrents: Journal of Environmental Thought. York University Toronto, ON
- 1992 Social Justice and Environmental Education Program Coordinator, Wheels of Change and Canada World Youth. Toronto, ON
- 1991 Environmental Project Coordinator, Environmental Youth Corps and the Downtown Kingston Business Association. Kingston, ON
- 1990 Environmental Project Coordinator, Environmental Youth Corps and Cobourg Chamber of Commerce. Cobourg, ON

#### **4. VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- 2007 Conference Organizer, Association for Agriculture, Food and Human Values and Association for Study of Food and Society, 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference, University of Victoria, May 30– June 3, 2007.
- 2003 Researcher, Canadian Slow Food Ark of Taste. Victoria, BC
- 2000 El Camino de Santiago de Compostella, I walked the 800km medieval pilgrimage from southern France across northern Spain to Santiago.
- 2000 Hostelier, Camino de Santiago, Cacabelos, Spain
- 1999 Co-founded W.L.L. (Women Living Large), a support group for large women that advocates emotional and physical health through self-respect and creative physical activity.
- 1998 Cycled Northern Thailand on two week solo tour after completing a one month silent Buddhist mediation retreat.
- 1994 – 1995 Board of Directors, West Coast Women's Resources Society, Ucluelet, BC.

## **5. PUBLICATIONS (Magazine, Journal, Newspaper)**

Saini, J. Sushil. 2004. Passion for Bread. *Northwest Palate*. Portland, Oregon. Volume # Number #.

Saini, J. Sushil. 2004. History in a Grain of Wheat. *Slow Magazine*. Bra, Italy. Issue: 3

Saini, J. Sushil. 2004. Red Fife Resurgence. *Small Farm Canada*. (Cover Story) Volume 1, Issue 2.

Saini, J. Sushil. 2004. Gifts from the Sea. *Northwest Palate*. Portland, Oregon. Volume 18, Number 1.

Saini, J. Sushil. 2004. Returning to Red Fife, *Eco Farm & Garden*. Volume 7, Number 1.

Saini, J. Sushil. 2004. Chocolate, *Boulevard Magazine*. Victoria, BC. Volume 11, Issue 2.

Saini, J. Sushil. 2003. Wanted on the Ark, *Western Living*. Vancouver, BC. Volume 33, Number 7.

Saini, J. Sushil. 2003. At Risk - Endangered Canadian Wheat. *Sloweb*. Bra, Italy. October 31

## **6. PUBLICATIONS (Regular Columnist, Regular Contributor)**

Saini, J. Sushil. 2001 – 2004. *FoodIsle*. Regular Columnist. *Monday Magazine*. Victoria, BC.

Saini, J. Sushil. 2000 – 2003 Regular Contributor. *EAT Magazine*. Victoria, BC.

## **7. PUBLICATIONS (Books)**

Saini, J. Sushil. 1999. Consuming Passions. Fine Words Chapbooks. Victoria, BC.

## **8. BROADCAST PRESENTATIONS (Radio)**

Saini, J. Sushil. June 2002 - August 2002. Six Week Culinary Tour of Vancouver Island. **CBC Radio**. On The Island with David Grierson.

## **9. PRESENTATIONS (Special interest – invited)**

University of Victoria. *Socio-Environmental Impacts of Cacao Production*. June, 2005; February, 2006; March, 2006; November 2006; March, 2007.

Tofino Food and Wine Festival. *The Art of Artisanal Bread*. Tofino, BC. June, 2004.

Tofino Food and Wine Festival. *The Vancouver Island Slow Food Movement*. Tofino, BC. June 3, 2003.

Victoria Hospice Society. *Thai Funeral Cookbooks as Grieving Process Tools*. Victoria, BC. November, 2003.

West Coast Oyster Festival. *Aphrodisiac Cooking Demonstration and Book Reading*. Tofino, BC. October, 1999.

## 10. PRESENTATIONS (Academic)

Sustainable Gastronomy. *Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) and The Society for Agriculture and Human Values (AGHV) Annual Conference*. Victoria, BC. May/June, 2007.

Food, Art and Spirituality. *Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) and The Society for Agriculture and Human Values (AGHV) Annual Conference*. Victoria, BC. May/June, 2007.

Methodology in Food Studies. *Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) and The Society for Agriculture and Human Values (AGHV) Annual Conference*. Victoria, BC. May/June, 2007.

The Role of Food Writing in Developing Regional Sustainable Gastronomy. *Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) and The Society for Agriculture and Human Values (AGHV) Annual Conference*. Boston, MA. June, 2006.

Red Fife Wheat as a Viable Niche Market in the Artisan Bread Industry. *Prairie Regional Recommending Committee on Grains (PRRCG) Annual Meeting*. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. February 26, 2004.

Theory in Action: The Clayoquot Experience. *Praxis/Nexus Conference*. University of Victoria. 1996.

EcoFeminism in the Clayoquot Campaign. *Annual Land Air Water Conference*, University of Oregon. 1994.