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**Kevin Patrick O’Keeffe** ——— Writer. Editor. Host. Drag Race Herstorian.

**Xtra – Contributing Writer and Host**

January 2019 - Present

RuPaul’s Drag Race beat writer for Canadian LGBTQ2 magazine Xtra. Coverage includes weekly recaps and power rankings, plus breakout analysis posts. Additionally serve as host of the weekly Facebook Live series “Kiki With Kevin.”

**UCLA Extension – Instructor**

October 2019 - Present

Hired to teach “Writing the Thinkpiece” workshop course for UCLA Extension’s Writer’s Program. Moving into second quarter of teaching the course this winter, while simultaneously developing new “Writing the Review” course to teach in the spring.

**INTO – Weekend Editor and Host**

August 2017 - January 2019

Wrote essays, recaps and news coverage about multiple TV shows with LGBTQ+ themes, most prominently RuPaul’s Drag Race. Maintained weekly movie review column “But How Gay Is It?”, edited and published all weekend coverage, and hosted the YouTube series “The Kiki.”

**Mic – Arts Editor and Senior Staff Writer**

February 2015 - August 2017

Covered culture in a mix of reported pieces and commentary, with an eye on the importance of representation. Assigned and edited stories for Mic’s in-house and freelance arts writers. Worked with entire Mic team to ensure best presentation on-site and through social platforms.

**The Atlantic – Editorial Fellow**

July 2014 - February 2015

Wrote both individual and collaborative stories and projects for the Entertainment channel on The Atlantic’s website. Designed and edited posts for the Entertainment channel multiple times per day, while simultaneously writing deeper analysis and trend pieces.

**Other Bylines**

**Special Skills**

**Audio/Video**

- Variety
- Vulture
- BuzzFeed News
- Insider
- The Advocate
- L.A. Weekly
- Primetimer
- The Daily Beast
- Texas Monthly
- Backstage

- Video editing and clipping
- CMS management
- Proficient in social media
- Clear communicator
- Well-versed in analytics
- Background in LGBTQ+ media
- Experienced working with young/new writers
- Audio and video host

- The Kiki, popular YouTube series, host/producer
- Kiki With Kevin, Facebook Live series, host/writer
- Zero Feet Away, LGBTQ+ interview series, host
- Will & Grace & Kevin & Tara, TV podcast, host
- Frequent guest on other podcasts

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