

# LUIS GOMEZ

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## SUMMARY

- Multilingual professional with 15-plus years expertise as a photojournalist and photo editor. Experience in travel and tourism, politics and government, arts and entertainment, and general business. Highly organized manager who can direct teams of photographers, production professionals, and editorial copywriters.
- Photographic Coordinator for Grupo Editorial Producto (GEP), March 1991-December 2002. GEP publishes monthly trade and tourism magazines in Venezuela. Coordinated and edited the photographic works for *Producto* (advertising/marketing), *Dinero* (economics, finance, corporations), *PC World* (computers), *Escape* (tourism), and *Producto Light* (health and sports). Worked with magazines' editors and graphic designers on layout, image and style. Supervised staff and freelance photographers.
- Shoot in digital format and edit work in Adobe Photoshop CS. Highly adept at covering assignments, editing photographs, and completing assignments on tight time frames.
- Extensive freelance experience; complete list on page 2. Experience with daily newspapers; lifestyle/arts magazines; and business magazines. Current Clients: EFE News, *The Catholic Standard*, *El Pregonero*, *Electric Co-op Today*, and other companies and organizations.
- Recent Training: Enrolled in Web Design Certificate Program at Corcoran College of Art & Design (will finish July 2007). Also had 12 weeks of Adobe Photoshop classes and 6 weeks of In Design classes at Corcoran (Fall 2005).
- Education: B.A. degree in Communications, Journalism & Public Relations from Universidad Católica Andrés Bello in Caracas, Venezuela, 1991. Studied architecture at University of Tennessee, 1984-1986.
- Fluent in English and Spanish; proficient in Portuguese. Have traveled to more than 40 countries for work and leisure.

## EMPLOYMENT

- Grupo Editorial Producto – Caracas, Venezuela, Photographic Coordinator; 1991-2002. GEP publishes monthly trade and tourism magazines in Venezuela.
- GRUPO EDITORIAL Minas Hoy – Caracas, Venezuela, Photography Director; 1996-1998. *Minas Hoy* covers the mining industry in Latin America/Caribbean. Worked on a contract-basis as director of photography; coordinated and assigned work, and selected locations abroad. Coordinated layout and pre-publication presswork for all photographic material.
- Bloque de Armas – Caracas, Venezuela, Staff Photographer; 1990-1991.

## **FREELANCE WORK**

### ***News and Features***

- EFE News – Washington, D.C., April 2005-Present  
Cover news events this international Spanish-language news service.
- El Pregonero / The Catholic Standard – Washington, D.C., November 2005-Present  
Cover events for these Spanish- and English-language weekly newspapers.
- The Washington Blade – Washington, D.C., 2003-2004  
Shot political and news stories for this weekly Washington newspaper.

### ***Lifestyle, Entertainment, Arts, Travel***

- TOO MUCH Magazine – Caracas, Venezuela, 1999-2000.  
Did interviews, took photos and contributed travel articles to this fashion/lifestyle magazine.
- El Universal – Caracas, Venezuela, 1999.  
Covered arts, entertainment and special events for this nationwide daily newspaper.
- OCEAN DRIVE Magazine – Miami, Florida, 1999.  
Covered art-related articles in Caracas for this Miami-based fashion and lifestyle magazine.
- La Guia de Caracas Magazine – Caracas, Venezuela, 1999.  
Shot photos for lifestyle and entertainment news stories for this weekly magazine.
- El Nacional – Caracas, Venezuela, 1997-1998.  
Photographed arts, entertainment and special events for this nationwide daily newspaper.
- Fundacion Cinemateca Nacional – Caracas, Venezuela, 1993-1994.  
Took photos for *Cinemateca* Magazine (National Cinematography Foundation).

### ***Business – Architecture, Design, Construction, Real Estate, Economics***

- Kolster Editores – Caracas, Venezuela, 1993-2002.  
Photographer for this monthly-magazine publisher; covered architecture, design, and restaurants as well as a decoration, construction and catering suppliers guide.
- Latin Trade Magazine – Miami, Florida, 1997-1999.  
Photographed economic news in Latin America for American-based magazine.
- Estima Strategy & Image (Hill & Knowlton) – Caracas, Venezuela, 1996.  
Photographed corporate events this public relations agency.
- JMBC Grupo Editorial – Caracas, Venezuela, 1993-1994.  
Photographer for this group of housing and real state investment publications.

## **EDUCATION**

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