

# EDEN TURNER

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## EXPERIENCE

### Enterprise Reporter

Nashville Banner, Nashville, Tn. | Aug. 2025 - Present

- Reports on community issues sourced from conversations with residents across Nashville.
- Leads coverage of South Nashville through the publication's zip code reporting project, while highlighting the lived experiences of Nashvillians living in a low-income neighborhood and holding the city's leaders and agencies accountable for effective change.

### Frances Ellen Watkins Harper Reporting Fellow

The 19th News, Remote | Oct. 2024 - Sept. 2025

- One of three reporting fellows in a competitive yearlong program that offers a cohort of five journalists from HBCUs mentorship and professional development in reporting, audience and product.
- Pitches and produces in-depth stories centering race, gender and politics that amplify the voices and nuanced experiences of Black and refugee women.

### Education and Politics Reporter

Times-News, Twin Falls, Id. | Jan. - Sept. 2024

- Covered education and politics for an audience of 31,000+ in Magic Valley with a focus on the impact of state policies on rural school districts and libraries, and grassroots efforts to uplift students and families.
- Expanded coverage of Black and LGBTQ+ communities with articles on issues they faced in a conservative region.

## OTHER EXPERIENCE

### Editor-in-Chief

Tiger's Roar Newspaper, Savannah, Ga. | Aug. 2022 - Dec. 2023

- Rebuilt the student newspaper during COVID, leading a team of reporters to re-establish coverage of news, culture and events in Savannah and on campus.
- Curated the paper's newsletter, and hosted events and writing workshops to increase the paper's readership and awareness across Savannah State University.

### Digital Producer

Atlanta News First, Atlanta, Ga. | May - July 2023

- Wrote articles, from breaking news to feature stories, on the digital content team.
- Produced live coverage of events, such as Juneteenth and Look Up Atlanta, the largest fireworks display in the Southeast.

### Reporter

Savannah Morning News, Savannah, Ga. | Jan. 2022 - May 2023

- Wrote breaking news, entertainment, crime and business stories on Savannah and wrote for "The 912" newsletter, which celebrated the city's Black art and culture.

### White House Student Journalist

- Represented Savannah State in 2023 at a White House press briefing for student journalists with Vice President Kamala Harris.

## EDUCATION

B.A. in Mass Communications with a journalism concentration, Savannah State University

## SKILLS

- Adobe Creative Suite & Canva
- Content management (Wordpress etc.)
- Copy Editing
- Layout and design
- Newsletter curation and design
- Video production

## AWARDS

2023

- Secured \$25k in funding from the Center for Journalism & Democracy for Savannah State's journalism program, pitching a plan to improve campus media at the HBCU Education Forum.
- Received the 72nd Southern Regional Press Institute Award for Best Feature Story.

## PROJECTS

2022-Present

I write personal narrative essays for my blog, *The Black Girl Diaries*, which focuses on my experiences as a young Black girl growing up in the Internet era, pop culture, movies, books and other media of interest.

## MEMBERSHIPS

2025

- National Assoc. of Black Journalists
  - Secretary, Young Black Journalists Task Force
- Online News Association

2023-Present

Member, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.