**HELLO!** 

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## HELENA EKSTRÖM

### - COPYWRITING - CREATIVE DIRECTION - BRAND STRATEGY - WRITING - CONTENT MARKETING -

# **THE SHORT STORY:** Helena Ekström has several years of experience in advertising as a copywriter/creative – but more important: she knows how to tell a good story and to create a strategy for it.

In the industry for 17 years, freelancing since 2010 – constantly working with well-known established brands. Wide work experience from concept to campaign development as a copywriter and creative director as well as a writer for content and editorial work. The work through the years also includes editor-in-chief positions.

Highly interested in digital development, sub-cultures, the fashion arena and the Chinese market. Expert in finding the right tone-of-voice for brands. Brings a lot of energy and bold ideas to the team.

### SUGARSTORIES

SUGARSTORIES: Freelance/consulting 2010 ->

SENIOR COPYWRITER - CREATIVE DIRECTOR - WRITER - EDITOR-IN-CHIEF Freelancing and consulting for brands and agencies. Sugarstories.se

### BRANDS/CLIENTS from 2010 ->

Åhléns, KappAhl, NK, NK STIL, MQ, Steen & Ström, Max Factor, SoFo Magazine, Pacta, Moderna Försäkringar, SBAB, Lypsyl, AMF Fastigheter, Addskills, Skandia, SIS, Allra försäkringar, F12-gruppen, LUAM, Liber, Voltaren, Eucerin, Nivea, Invest Stockholm, Visit Stockholm, Stockholms Stad, Citycon (Kista Galleria, Liljeholmstorget Galleria among others), Citylife magazine, SBF Bostad AB, SYOSS

### **EXAMPLE OF WORK:**

### INHOUSE EXPERIENCE

**KAPPAHL**: Copywriter, long term consulting creating the new tone-of-voice for KappAhl and the new communication platform together with the branding agency Pond. Based at the KappAhl HQ and later at Pond. 2015-2016.

VISIT STOCKHOLM / INVEST STOCKHOLM: Content marketing and digital development of the digital platforms. 2015-2016.

**SBAB:** Copywriter, long term consulting, creating the new tone-of-voice and digital development of the digital platform. 2013-2014.

### LONG-TERM AGENCY CONSULTING

**CENTERTEAM/CITYCON:** Established the Centerteam Stockholm office (Norwegian agency). Head of creative/copywriter for the shopping centre client Citycon (Swedish market, 7 shopping centers). 2016-2019.

### **MAGAZINE DEVELOPMENT & WRITER**

**CITYLIFE MAGAZINE**: Editor-in-Chief for Citylife magazine for Citycon. 7 versions (1 for each of the clients shopping center in Sweden). In charge of the team and the re-launch of the magazine. Edition: 360 000 copies per issue. 2016-2018

**NK STIL:** Fashion, beauty and product writer for the members magazine NK STIL by NK. Including the yearly Christmas magazine. Ongoing work through the years.

Åhléns magazine: Fashion writer for Åhléns club magazine. 2011-2013.

SOFO Magazine: Editor-in-Chief for the lifestyle magazine SOFO. Edition: 30 000 copies/issue. 2011-2013.

STYLIST	STYLIST & VISUAL STORYTELLER
HELENA EKSTRÖM:	Stylist and visual storyteller for brands and magazines, in Stockholm and China. The work also includes
Freelance 2010 ->	creative direction and casting. Part of the art & fashion trio ARTER - producing work for brands and art buyers/art collectors. helenaekstrom.com
EMPLOYMENTS:	AGENCIES
2005-10	TEWONDER - DIGITAL AGENCY STOCKHOLM - COPYWRITER
	Working with brands like NK, Lindex, Indiska, Design House Stockholm, Renault, SCA
	NK was the main client during the years. The work inlcuded the launch of the digital
	platform(s) and all digital marketing during 2005-10, as well as the editor position for NK.se
2005	ANR.BBDO - ADVERTISING AGENCY STOCKHOLM - COPYWRITER Working with brands like Akademibokhandeln, Hyresgästföreningen
2004-05	GROW - BRANDING AGENCY STOCKHOLM - COPYWRITER
	Working with brands like Helly Hansen, littala, TV4
2004	OESTERREICH - ADVERTISING AGENCY GÖTEBORG - COPYWRITER
2004	Working with brands like Stella Transport, Nordicon
2007.0/	SPIRIT IC LONDON - ADVERTISING AGENCY LONDON - COPYWRITER
2003-04	Working with brands like MTV, Cantor Sports
2002-03	MOLEKYL - DM AGENCY STOCKHOLM - COPYWRITER Working with brands like Volkswagen, SF Bio
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FREELANCE:	AGENCIES/BRANDS
Before 2010, in between	TRAFFIC, STOCKHOLM FILM FESTIVAL, VOLT, BLOMQUIST, CITAT, NK STIL
EDUCATION:	EDUCATION
2019	DIGITAL STRATEGY, DISTRIBUTION & REACH, COURSE – BERGHS SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION – STHLM
2017	MANDARIN, COURSE – FOLKUNIVERSITETET – STOCKHOLM
2011	FASHION DESIGN, COURSE - FIT (FASHION INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY – NEW YORK
2000-02	COPYWRITING DIPLOMA - BERGHS SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION – STOCKHOLM
1999-00	COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA - YRKESHÖGSKOLAN – GÖTEBORG
1999	COPYWRITING, COURSE - FOLKUNIVERSITETET – GÖTEBORG
1995-98	SAMHÄLLSVETENSKAPSPROGRAMMET – MÖLNLYCKE
LECTURER:	BERCHS SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION Subjects: Copywriting for digital platforms and tone-of-voice
	SIS (SWEDISH STANDARDS INSTITUTE) Subject: Tone-of-voice
OTHER SKILLS AND INTERESTS:	SPORTS: FORMER PROFESSIONAL RIDER IN SHOWJUMPING, SWEDEN AND GERMANY
	<b>SPECIAL INTEREST:</b> THE CHINESE MARKET AS A SPECIAL INTEREST, LIVING PARTS OF THE YEAR IN SHANGHAI FROM 2014.
	FASHION PROJECT: MY FORMER FASHION WEBSITE WAS SELECTED BY THE BRITISH FASHION COUNCIL TO BE ON THE LIST OF: THE 100 BEST FASHION WEBSITES IN THE WORLD.
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