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CREATIVE PROFILE

Los Angeles-based writer, photographer, podcaster, and independent publisher with a multidisciplinary practice centered on storytelling, people, place, and the institutions that shape everyday life. A longtime Angeleno who also spends part of each year in Budapest, working across fiction, essays, audio, and visual storytelling.

CREATIVE PRACTICE

MOORE DIGITAL MEDIA | Los Angeles, CA | 2008–present

Author, Independent Publisher & Creative Producer

- Author of 29 published novels spanning legal thrillers and romance, writing under the names Aime Austin, Jolie Moore, and Sylvie Fox.
- *USA Today* bestselling author with more than 325,000 copies sold.
- Recipient of the 2025 Mystery Writers of America Barbara Neely Scholarship.
- Host and producer of *A Time to Thrill*, an established long-form podcast featuring more than 70 interviews with women writers and other creators.
- Creator and host of *Politics of Justice*, a video and audio series exploring law, justice, storytelling, and the Casey Cort legal-thriller series.
- Creator and host of *Fifty First Dates*, an audio series built from personal narrative and conversations about dating and relationships.
- Essayist writing about place, culture, travel, and life between Los Angeles and Budapest; contributor to the recently published *Narratives of Hungary* anthology.
- Photographs urban life, architecture, and place in Los Angeles and Budapest as part of an ongoing visual storytelling practice.
- Produces and manages multidisciplinary creative projects involving writers, editors, designers, audiobook narrators, and other independent collaborators.

SELECTED CREATIVE WORK

- Aime Austin legal thrillers: Casey Cort and Nicole Long series, including *Judged*, *Poisoned*, *Abused*, *Outcry Witness*, *Major Crimes*, *Without Consent*, and *The Murders Began*.
- Jolie Moore / Sylvie Fox romance fiction, including *Someone Else's Wife*, *Taming the Bad Boy*, *The Secrets She Keeps*, and the *What Was* series.
- *A Time to Thrill* — long-form podcast interviews with creative women, including *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling authors.
- *Politics of Justice* — ongoing video/podcast project examining the intersection of fiction, law, and justice.
- *Narratives of Hungary* — essay contribution, "The Mistakes That Made Us Local: Missed Ferries, Wrong Platforms, and the Kindness That Got Us Home."

PUBLIC PROGRAMS & RECOGNITION

- Featured speaker, Los Angeles Public Library.
- Featured speaker, Romance Writers of America, Orange County Chapter.
- Mystery Writers of America Barbara Neely Scholarship recipient, 2025.

PHOTOGRAPHY & VISUAL STORYTELLING

Independent photographic practice documenting cities through architecture, streetscapes, public spaces, and everyday life, with an extensive body of work made in Los Angeles and Budapest. Photography has also been incorporated into author platforms, essays, travel writing, and book-related visual storytelling.

- Long-running photographic documentation of Los Angeles neighborhoods, architecture, and street life.
- Ongoing Budapest photography documenting architecture, public space, transit, neighborhoods, and daily urban life.
- Creates original visual assets for essays, author platforms, social media, and location-based book promotion.

PODCASTING & AUDIO

A TIME TO THRILL | Host & Producer

More than 70 long-form interviews with women writers and other creative professionals about craft, careers, and creative lives.

POLITICS OF JUSTICE | Creator & Host

- Video and audio series using fiction as a starting point for conversations about law, justice, institutions, and storytelling.

FIFTY FIRST DATES | Creator & Host

- Personal-storytelling podcast drawing on lived experience, observation, and conversations about modern relationships.

EARLIER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Attorney | California & Ohio | 1997–2008

Practiced in Los Angeles and Cleveland in corporate, real estate, intellectual-property, and litigation matters. Previously operated the Law Offices of Jessica Gadsden and worked as a legal writer for LexisNexis.

EDUCATION

CORNELL LAW SCHOOL | J.D., emphasis in Public Law

SMITH COLLEGE | A.B., English Language & Literature

SELECTED SKILLS

Writing & editing • Interviewing • Podcast production • Photography • Independent publishing • Creative project management