

# CURRICULUM VITAE – GERARD VAN DEN AKKER

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## Personal details

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## Profile

With the passing of years I took the time to orientate myself very widely and obtain an unique combination of skills. During my study Astronomy and Astrophysics I was not only active as board game demonstrator and board member of bridge club US, but I also concentrated myself on writing. With succes, for I won the *Price of Dutch Fantastic Literature 2003*. After obtaining my bachelor degree, I switched to the master Editor. During this period I was active as copy editor for the online magazine *Blind*, textwriter for SpecialEditions, developer and programmer for the Floris Mod Pack and judge at the writing competition Fantastels. Since 2013 I work as freelance editor. My clients include KPMG Meijburg & Co and Noordhoff Uitgevers.

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## Experience as editor and copywriter

### Work experience

2013 – present	Monnikje, owner Copywriting and editing.	Amsterdam
2009 – present	Fantastels, Judge Judging short stories.	Rotterdam
2009	SpecialEditions, Text writer Writing texts for externally acquired projects.	Utrecht
2008 – 2009	Mynx Publishing, Intern Editing books, acquire commissions, website management.	Amsterdam
2007 – 2010	Blind, Copy editor Copy editing.	Amsterdam

### Coarses

2008 – 2009	Crea Advanced Writing Course	Amsterdam
2007	Pure Fantasy Writing Marathon	Kampen
2007	Tais Teng Writing Weekend	Haarle
2006	Maryson Advanced Writing Course	Kats
2005	Advanced English Course	Amsterdam
2004 – 2005	English communication at the Cambridge English: Advanced level. English Speaking & Writing Skills	Amsterdam

### Selection of publications

2012	Tussen twee wereldbeelden, in: <i>Blind</i> 30.
2010	Buitenaardse diepvriesbacteriën, in: <i>Blind</i> 23.
2009	De oude man van de bergweide, in: <i>Verborgten achter de horizon</i> .
2008	Waarom de boomslang met pensioen mag, in: <i>Morf</i> 8.
2007	Financiële injectie, in: <i>Pure Fantasy</i> 8 and <i>Εννέα</i> 350.
2003	Groene vrouwe, in: <i>De Tijdlijn</i> 50.

### Honneurs

2008	Winner <i>Third Morf essay contest</i> .
2003	Winner <i>Price of the Dutch Fantastic Literature 2003</i> .
1997	Winner <i>Poetry revue</i> in theater De Rode Hoed, Amsterdam.

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## Other experience

### Work experience

2014 – present	KPMG Meijburg & Co., programmer Automation for tax advisors.	Amstelveen
2010 – present	Praxis doe-het-zelf center B.V., Salesperson Workshop Parttime salesperson at the tool department.	Amsterdam
2004	999 Games, Board game demonstrator Give demonstrations of the latest board games.	Almere
2003 – 2005	Bridge club US, board member and competition leader Organize matches, board tasks	Amsterdam
1998 – 2010	Praxis doe-het-zelf center B.V., Cassier Money transactions, helping customers.	Amsterdam

### Projects

2013 – 2014	<i>ESS</i> . I programmed an embedded software solution for tax advisors in need of solutions for their statistical sampling.
2012 – 2013	<i>Master thesis</i> . After cataloguing all populair scientific books about astronomy and astrophysics, published in the Netherlands between 1801 and 2000, I created a model and analysed several books for the used techniques.
2010 – 2012	<i>Floris Mod Pack</i> . Together with an international team I developed, programmed and promoted the largest mod for the game Mount&Blade: Warband.
2008 – 2009	<i>Website restructuring (Mynx)</i> . I restructured the company website, provided new content and coordinated the system administrator.
2008	<i>Gezwets in de ruimte</i> . A report about the different aspects of editing a popular science book about astronomy and astrophysics.
2007	<i>Looking around 10 <math>\mu\text{m}</math> at <math>\eta</math>-Car</i> . Spectral analysis of 10 $\mu\text{m}$ data from the super heavy star $\eta$ -Car gave me the temperature of the dust cloud and the size of the grains in the cloud.
2002	<i>Characterizing the Kuiper Belt</i> . Research to Kuiper Belt Objects in a 3d simulation in the CAVE, at which I looked at the spread in the Kuiper Belt.
2001	<i>Het nagloeien van Gamma Ray Bursts</i> . Analysis of Gamma Ray Bursts, observed by the satellite BATSE, in which I compared the properties of the spectra.

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## Education

2007 – 2013	Master Editor University of Amsterdam – diploma obtained in 2013	Amsterdam
2003 – 2007	Bachelor Physics and Astrophysics University of Amsterdam – diploma obtained in 2007	Amsterdam
2000 – 2003	Propedeuse Physics and Astrophysics University of Amsterdam – diploma obtained in 2003	Amsterdam
1994 – 2000	VWO Calandlyceum – diploma obtained in 2000	Amsterdam

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## Languages

Dutch	Mother tongue
English	Fluent

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## Hobbies

Writing, reading, playing the guitar, gaming, cycling, cooking

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## References

References available on request.

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