

## Zainab Haji

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### Education

#### **King Edward VI High School for Girls (2015 - 2022)**

GCSE: Achieved 10 grade 9s. Including Mathematics and English Literature

A Level: English Literature (A\*), Mathematics (A\*), Spanish (A\*), Theatre Studies (A)

- During my time at school I contributed to the school's annual 'Phoenix' magazine, was a columnist for 'The KEHS Release' newspaper and helped to establish TuneUp Performing Arts Fund

#### **University of St. Andrews (2022-present)**

MA Hons International Relations

- Modules in Arabic, English Literature and Comparative Literature

### Experience

#### **Podcast Co-Host (September 2020 - February 2022)**

##### **Real Talk**

- Using Garageband and Anchor to edit audio clips and make the podcast available on various platforms, for example Spotify and Apple Podcasts.
- Thinking outside of the box in order to find different ways of discussing heavy topics such as ableism, sexism and body image, in order to engage a student based audience
- Organising and conducting interviews with guests

#### **Social Media Advisor (June 2021 - August 2021)**

##### **BadHero Sunglasses**

- I produced content for Instagram, worked with a team in order to advise on social media trends and came up with ways of boosting audience engagement with the product

#### **Wedding Videographer (July 2021)**

- This position required the use of visual storytelling skills
- I used Final Cut Pro to manipulate sound, grading and speed to fit the client's preferences

#### **Deputy Arts and Culture Editor (September 2022 - present)**

##### **The Saint Student Newspaper** — <https://www.thesaint.scot>

- This role involves pitching three ideas to the Arts and Culture Section Editor on a bi-weekly schedule, writing at least one article per edition and participating in newspaper handout
- Alongside writing for the Arts and Culture section of the newspaper I have also contributed to the Viewpoint section, which consists of opinion based and argumentative pieces

- Most notably, an article that I recently wrote on whether St Andrews Caledonian Society's regulation for dancers to attend balls with a member of the opposite sex is outdated, was quoted in The Times: <https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/st-andrews-ball-that-bans-same-sex-partners-is-urged-to-break-step-hr7gg90hm>

**Designer Outreach Coordinator** (January 2023 - March 2023)

**Sustainable Style Charity Gala**

- Communicating with designers and artists participating in the Gala Exhibition
- Scheduling photoshoots and publicity as well as ensuring the safe delivery, storage and return of all designs

**Radio Show Host** (January 2023 - present)

**STAR Radio: St Andrews Radio**

- Myself and my co-host discuss the intersection of fashion and sustainability, through topics such as the impacts of fast fashion, ways to shop sustainably and student fashion trends
- This role involves hosting a weekly hour long show alongside running the show's social media in order to further engage with listeners

**Stage Manager** (March 2023 - present)

**People You Know Productions**

- This involved collaborating creatively with the directors in order to bring their vision to life by designing and constructing a set whilst working with a budget

Skills

- Proficient in Spanish
- Proficient in MS Office (Excel, PowerPoint, Word)
- Social Media knowledge (Instagram, TikTok, YouTube, Twitter)
- Experienced in Adobe Photoshop

Interests

- Photography
- Film
- Current affairs
- Fashion