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Alex Wong

Photo Editor

National Geographic  
1145 17th Street NW  
Washington, DC 20036

Dear Mr. Wong,

With over eight years of professional photography experience capturing stories across five continents, I’m writing to express my interest in the Staff Photographer position at National Geographic. My portfolio (michaelriveraphotography.com) reflects my commitment to visual storytelling that reveals the complex relationship between humanity and our natural world—a mission that perfectly aligns with National Geographic’s legendary approach to documentation and discovery.

During my five years at Reuters, I developed expertise in environmental photojournalism, contributing to award-winning coverage of climate change impacts in Southeast Asia. My photo essay “Rising Waters,” featured in my portfolio, earned the 20XX Environmental Photojournalism Award and was exhibited at the International Center of Photography.

I’ve recently completed a year-long project documenting indigenous communities adapting to environmental changes in the Amazon, demonstrating my ability to build trust with subjects and capture intimate moments in challenging conditions. My technical proficiency spans digital and film photography, drone photography, and underwater imaging—skills I’ve honed through assignments for The New York Times, TIME Magazine, and The Guardian.

I would be thrilled to bring my visual perspective and storytelling approach to National Geographic. Email me at michaelrivera@gmail.com meet to discuss where my passion for documenting our changing planet could contribute to your unparalleled legacy of impactful visual journalism.

Regards,

**Michael Rivera**

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**Dear Job Seeker,**

**We recently updated all of the cover letter templates on** [**ResumeGenius.com**](https://resumegenius.com/) **to reflect the most recent HR and hiring trends.**

Our goal is to give our users the best chance at landing job interviews, and our templates are a major part of how we aim to accomplish this goal.

Each of our newly designed and re-designed templates were built specifically to bypass the Applicant Tracking System software companies use to filter out candidates, and are formatted to be visually pleasing and easy to read.

But while our cover letter templates take the pain out of formatting and provide a strong foundation for your own cover letter, it takes effective writing to win over the hearts of employers, hiring managers, and recruiters.

If you’re still struggling to write your own cover letter, check out these free resources so you can put together a cover letter that showcases how you’re the best person for the job:

·     [Cover letter builder](https://resumegenius.com/cover-letter-builder)

·     [How to write a cover letter](https://resumegenius.com/blog/cover-letter-help/how-to-write-a-cover-letter)

·     [Cover letter examples](https://resumegenius.com/cover-letter-examples)

Once you’ve written a great cover letter, pair it with a convincing resume by using a matching [resume template](https://resumegenius.com/resume-templates). Here are a few resources to help you write a resume that gives your application the edge it needs to land you the interview:

·     [Resume builder](https://resumegenius.com/)

·     [How to write a resume](https://resumegenius.com/blog/resume-help/how-to-write-a-resume)

·     [Resume examples by industry](https://resumegenius.com/resume-samples)

Best regards,

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