SHERRY THEVENOT

Born in the USA, I went to France on a junior year abroad program in college and stayed: 10 years in Paris + 26 years in Dijon (+ 3 years in Brazil in the interim). Mother of two grown children, I dove into my last profession of regional guide-interpreter in Burgundy with passion and quickly founded *Bourgogne Authentique* in 2005.

It turns out my "chequered" past (gallery director, sports magazine editor, free flyer, student of archaeology....) served me well, as it gave me enriching experiences and connections with people of many types, trades and nationalities.

As for Burgundy, it offers a most enjoyable terrain for guiding, especially in the vini-cultural domain where the notion of "terroir" is taken to a high in more ways than one. Winemaking, especially in this region I find, is a true art that commands respect. To venture through the vineyards and into the cellars of some of the small, excellent family wineries of Burgundy, is more than a thrill, it's a privilege.

Curriculum Vitae

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Born : 10/29/49 in Wilmington Delaware, USA *Nationality* : double American - French (since 1972) Two children (23 & 26)

Diplomas :

- Guide Lecturer (Guide Conférencier) Burgundy - DRAC 2006

- Masters : Paris IV Ecole d'Art et d'Archéologie 1981 (Artists of Pernambuco)
- Bachelor of Arts (Wells College 1971) double major French Russian

Professional Experience:

Since 2006 **Independent guide** and founder of *Bourgogne Authentique* specializing in cultural, oenological and culinary tours throughout Burgundy (<u>www.burgundy-authentique.com</u>). Contracted guide since 2000 for : *The Wayfarers*, *Butterfield & Robinson*, *Dijon*, *Beaune Tourist Offices*...

2000 Translator (French to English) for Musée des Beaux Arts Dijon, Museums of Beaune, Alésia

1984 -1999 - Magazine Founder & Editor-in-Chief of *Cross Country* International Free Flying *Magazine*, Dijon. 3 separate Fr/Eng/Jap editions.

1979–1984 Director Galerie Zabriskie (painting, sculpture & photo) rue Quincampoix 75003 Paris

1977-79 Journalist (free lance) for the Brazil Herald - Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Languages:

Bilingual English - French; Italian - good; Portuguese - rusty; Russian - fair

Sports :

Hiking, Tennis, Ski, Scuba diving, Hang Gliding (1980 to 1990)

Diverse:

- Pilgrimage route of Compostella 25 days 650 km, alone, October 1998
- Assistant and translator for documentary film on the USSR for French TV, Nov. 1980
- 3 year residence Brazil (1976-79) English teacher, journalist for the Brazil Herald
- Archeological dig Brazil (State Piaui Ford Foundation Grant) 1979
- Junior Year Abroad to France (Paris) 1969