



## **Maria Lenhart**

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Maria Lenhart joined Meetings Media as Content Director, Features in January 2007. She is responsible for assigning and editing the feature articles appearing in *Meetings West*, *Meetings South*, *Meetings MidAmerica*, and *Meetings East* magazines, as well as MeetingsFocus.com. Her responsibilities also include editing the company's electronic newsletters, overseeing custom publishing projects and writing articles for the features and destinations sections of the magazines.

Maria has been a writer and editor specializing in the meetings and business travel industry for more than 20 years, a career that has taken her to over 50 countries. She has held senior editor positions at both *MeetingNews* and *Meetings & Conventions* magazines. As a freelance writer, she has contributed to a wide variety of travel trade and consumer publications, including *Business Travel News*, *The Meeting Professional*, *Travel Weekly*, *Travel & Leisure*, Expedia.com, and numerous daily newspaper travel sections.

She is also the author of the guidebook *Hidden Oregon* (Ulysses Press) and a contributor to many other guidebooks on West Coast destinations.

A California native and long-time San Francisco resident, Maria is a journalism graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, where she covered campus and city news for *The Daily Californian*.

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