

# 18 Columbia Alumni News Anchors to Keep You in the Know

Stay up to date with these TV broadcast journalists.

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Abrams, Ashton, Stephanopoulos: ABC; Diaz, Duthiers, Herridge: CBS; Harlow, Jones, Madowo, Malveaux: CNN; Kellerman, Smith: ESPN; Kurtz: Fox; McFadden, Radford: NBC; van Zeller: National Geographic

## Dan Abrams

As the chief legal-affairs correspondent for ABC News, [Dan Abrams](#) '92LAW is a key voice in the network's news coverage. He also hosts *The Dan Abrams Show* on

SiriusXM radio and has coauthored several best-selling books.

### **Jennifer Ashton**

Ob-gyn and nutritionist [Jennifer Ashton](#) '91CC, '00VPS — also known as “Dr. Jen” — is one of TV’s top medical correspondents. Catch her discussing everything from diet to pandemic precautions on ABC News, *Good Morning America*, and her streaming program *On Call with Dr. Jen*.

### **Adriana Diaz**

Based in Chicago, national correspondent [Adriana Diaz](#) '09SIPA anchors the Saturday edition of the *CBS Weekend News*. She has recently investigated such social issues as gun violence, the Central American migrant crisis, and the impact of COVID-19 on minority groups.

### **Vladimir Duthiers**

Correspondent [Vladimir Duthiers](#) '11JRN covers a wide range of domestic and foreign affairs for CBS News. The 2010 and 2021 Haiti earthquakes and the deforestation of the Amazon jungle are just a few of the topics on his reporting résumé.

### **Rehema Ellis**

As NBC News’ chief education correspondent, Emmy Award-winning journalist [Rehema Ellis](#) '77JRN reports for a variety of programs and platforms, including *Nightly News* with Lester Holt, *Today*, and MSNBC.

### **Poppy Harlow**

A former political-science major at Columbia, [Poppy Harlow](#) '05CC is a journalist for CNN's *Newsroom*. She is currently on leave to study law at Yale.

### **Catherine Herridge**

Reporting from Washington, [Catherine Herridge](#) '90JRN is a senior investigative correspondent for CBS News, where she covers national security and intelligence. Before coming to CBS in 2019, Herridge was a journalist for Fox News for over two decades.

### **Athena Jones**

After spending several years covering the Trump White House for CNN, [Athena Jones](#) '99JRN now reports from the network's New York offices as a national correspondent.

### **Max Kellerman**

[Max Kellerman](#) '98CC started his career as a boxing commentator after graduating from Columbia with a history degree. In September 2021, he began hosting *This Just In*, a sports talk show on ESPN.

### **Howard Kurtz**

Journalist [Howard Kurtz](#) '75JRN worked as a national correspondent for the *Washington Post* for twenty-nine years in addition to working in television. In 2013, he began hosting the Fox News program *Media Buzz*, which analyzes the coverage of recent news stories.

### **Jonathan Lemire**

A former reporter for the *Columbia Spectator*, Jonathan Lemire '01CC hosts the MSNBC morning show *Way Too Early*. He also serves as *Politico*'s White House bureau chief.

### **Larry Madowo**

Nairobi-based journalist [Larry Madowo](#) '20JRN reports on African news as an international correspondent for CNN. Before joining the network in 2021, Madowo worked for the BBC, where he covered North America.

### **Suzanne Malveaux**

Since 2002, CNN's [Suzanne Malveaux](#) '91JRN has reported on numerous pivotal events, including Hurricane Katrina, the 2008 presidential election, the Arab Spring, and the war in Afghanistan.

### **Cynthia McFadden**

Cynthia McFadden '84LAW brings her legal expertise to NBC as the news division's senior legal and investigative correspondent. Before that, McFadden was a longtime anchor for ABC's *Nightline*, where she interviewed such prominent figures as Hillary Clinton and Paul McCartney.

### **Morgan Radford**

As a correspondent for NBC News, *Today*, and MSNBC, Morgan Radford '12JRN has reported from the frontlines of major national events. Since August 2021, she has also served as a co-anchor on the streaming channel NBC News Now.

### **Ryan Smith**

Sports anchor and attorney [Ryan Smith '97LAW](#) is a familiar face on ESPN, where he regularly [cohosts](#) the network's *Outside the Lines*, *E60*, and *SportsCenter*. Smith also contributes as a legal analyst across programs for both ESPN and ABC News.

### **George Stephanopoulos**

The former communications director for President Bill Clinton, George Stephanopoulos '82CC transitioned from public relations to broadcast journalism in the mid-1990s. He currently anchors ABC's [This Week](#) and co-anchors *Good Morning America*.

### **Mariana van Zeller**

Portuguese journalist Mariana van Zeller '02JRN is the host of [Trafficked](#), a National Geographic channel investigative series that exposes notorious black-market networks. Past episodes have looked at drugs, guns, counterfeit money, and even tigers.

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