

Brandon Lee Rudat

EXPERIENCE

WGCL – Atlanta, GA 2010 - 2013

Morning Anchor and Reporter/Executive Producer, Public Affairs Program Host

- Anchor “Better Mornings Atlanta” newscasts (5 – 7 am and 9 – 10 am) and cut-ins
- Host/Moderator/Producer, “Public Affairs on Peachtree TV,” a weekly half-hour news and interview program airing Sunday mornings focusing on Atlanta and Georgia politics, public affairs, sex trafficking, economics, local and state policy

KTLA – Los Angeles, CA 2009 - 2010

Reporter and Fill-in Anchor

- Lead Reporter: Michael Jackson death, Lakers championship and downtown aftermath, 3-year-old Bryant Rodriguez kidnapped to Mexico as part of drug cartel
- Broke story of Lindsey Lohan home robbery
- Entertainment: BET Awards and red carpet, Emmy nominations, etc.

WHDH - Boston, MA 2006 - 2009

Weekend Anchor/Reporter

- Anchored 6 pm, 10 pm, 11 pm weekend newscasts and main fill-in
- Anchored live non-stop coverage of Senator Ted Kennedy hospitalization
- Anchored "Decision 2008," New Hampshire primaries from Manchester, NH

THE OLYMPIC ZONE - NBC Network Winter Games in Torino Jan. - Mar. 2006

Host

(2 ½ months)

- Nightly, live 7:30 – 8 pm, half-hour Olympics pre-show (6 nights a week for 3 weeks)
- Live interviews with athletes (Michelle Kwan injures leg before competition), features, hard news (security concerns)

WVIT-TV - Hartford, CT 2003 - 2006

Weekend Anchor/Reporter

- Anchored all weekend newscasts: evenings (6 pm, 11 pm) and mornings (6 - 7 am, 8 - 9 am)
- Won 2007 Best Hard News Emmy for exposing a local fire chief who was a convicted child sex offender
- Reported from the 2004 Republican National Convention in New York City

RNN/Regional News Network - New York, NY 2002 - 2003

Political Reporter/City Hall Reporter

- Covered the 2003 shooting and murder of City Councilman James Davis (was the only reporter INSIDE city hall when the shooting occurred)
- Shot, edited and wrote all packages

WHAG - Hagerstown, MD 2002

Morning and Noon Anchor/Reporter

- Anchored morning (5 - 7 am) and noon (12 – 1 pm) newscasts and wrote and produced daily packages

WNBC – New York, NY 2000 - 2002

Producer, “Today in New York”

- Field Producer, September 11th terrorist attacks
- Nominated for Emmy at age 20 for writing and producing a historical piece on Billie Holiday for the Entertainers Hall of Fame
- Paid full-time producer at age 20 while also a full-time NYU undergraduate

NBC TODAY show – New York, NY 1998 - 2000

Intern

- Intern for David Bloom, Weekend TODAY Anchor

EDUCATION

1998 - 2001

New York University – triple major
Bachelor of Arts and Science – Journalism, Political Science, Sociology

ATHLETICS

- Played soccer (marking back) for the 1995 United States Under 17 National Team (Olympic Development Program); selected from over 5000 elite Olympic pool soccer players
- Left during junior year in high school to play for the 1995 United States Under 17 National Team and competed in Sweden, Spain and France
- 1995-1996: one of 20 players chosen to represent the second place U.S. team for the Gothia Cup. Over 30 countries participated and played in stadiums packed with more than 50,000 fans.
- Amateur Muay Thai Kickboxer

AWARDS

- 2011 AP Award Winner for Best News Special Programming
- 2011 Emmy Nomination: Best News Anchor
- 2011 Emmy Nomination: Best Programming - Public Affairs
- 2010 Emmy Nomination: Best News Anchor
- 2010 Emmy Nomination: Best Specialty Reporting - Gulf Oil Spill Disaster
- 2008 Emmy Nomination: Best General Assignment Reporting (composite)
- 2008 Emmy Nomination: Best Sports News Report (caught on tape – a man falling through ice as he was trying to walk across a lake)
- 2007 Emmy Nomination: Best Sports Feature - The Skeleton (rode down the U.S. luge course as athletes trained for the Torino Olympics)
- 2007 Emmy Nomination: Best Feature - Flying High at 80 (80 year old skydiver! Jumped out of a plane with him for his birthday)
- 2007 Emmy Award: Best Hard News Report - Fire Chief Sex Predator (uncovered a convicted child sex offender working as a fire chief in Connecticut. The fire chief lied on his job application and was removed from the fire department.)
- 2005 Emmy Nomination: Best Investigative Report - Illegal Fire Extinguishers (sold on the streets of Connecticut that do not put out fires properly. This piece forced the State Attorney General to file criminal charges against the company that sold them.)
- 2004 Emmy Nomination: Best Investigative Report - Gangs of Connecticut (interviewed a 13 year old gang member who committed crimes to initiate into the Bloods Gang)
- 2002 Associated Press Award: Best Enterprise Reporting – D.C. Sniper (a sniper showed us how the D.C. Sniper may have targeted people at grocery stores along the D.C. Beltway)
- 2000 Emmy Nomination: Best Historical Piece (life and history of jazz singer Billie Holiday)

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- HRC (Human Rights Campaign) – honored by the HRC in Atlanta for my involvement in the fight for equal rights
- AID Atlanta – recognized as a spokesperson for the organization to help secure funding for HIV Medication to those who do not have healthcare
- Positive Impact – recognized for volunteer work in helping to provide medicine/housing for homeless HIV residents in Atlanta
- Chris Kids –Spokesperson and volunteer for securing housing and education for homeless children
- Volunteer/Speaker for EDIN (Eating Disorders) - help raise awareness about people with eating disorders
- Volunteer/Speaker for the organization "Stand Up" with Rugby Star Ben Cohen - speak to large groups about bully awareness

ART ACHEIVEMENTS

- 2012 (Fall) – Museum of Design & Art (MODA) featured graffiti artist
- 2012 – Art Papers Magazine and Art Show – recognized as an up and coming POP Graffiti Artist winner
- 2012 – Chosen as an artist for the Bobby Berk Home Store show open – featured on HGTV w/Sabrina Soto
- 2012 – Chosen as the exclusive graffiti artist for the Interior Illusions Gallery in Hollywood Ca.

SKILLS

- Edit on Avid and Final Cut Pro