

Callie Crossley

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Callie Crossley is host of “The Callie Crossley Show” on Boston’s WGBH-FM, 89.7. ‘Intelligent talk’ is the hallmark of the one-hour daily show which covers current events, local happenings, arts and culture and water cooler buzz. The talk show is the latest chapter in the career of Crossley, who has been an award winning broadcast journalist, a documentary filmmaker, and a television and radio commentator.

In addition to her radio program, Crossley offers regular commentary on media for Beat the Press, which airs on Boston based WGBH-TV, and for Fox25 TV’s Morning News Show. She appears occasionally on national news and information programs including CNN’s Reliable Sources, The PBS News Hour, and The Takeaway, and is a regular contributor to Tell Me More with Michel Martin.

Crossley’s busy career includes public speaking and moderating. She is a Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow guest lecturing at colleges and universities about the collision of old and new media, media and politics, media literacy, and the intersection of race, gender and media.

For the last eight years, Ms. Crossley has served as Program Manager for the Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard directing the speakers program.

Prior to her current work, Ms. Crossley was a Producer for ABC NEWS “20/20” reporting health/medicine stories. Crossley produced the Oscar® nominated hour of the acclaimed documentary series, Eyes on the Prize: America’s Civil Rights Years 1954-1965. “Bridge to Freedom” focused on the Selma, Alabama voting rights campaign. Crossley produced the film while working for Blackside, Inc., a Boston based independent film production company for which she also served as Senior Series Producer on the 2003 PBS documentary series “This Far By Faith: African-American Spiritual Journeys.”

Crossley has won major film and television awards, including a national Emmy, a Peabody, a Christopher, an Edward R. Murrow award, and the top Alfred I. Dupont-Columbia award (Gold Baton), considered the Pulitzer Prize of broadcast journalism.

She is the recipient of two Harvard Fellowships, Nieman Fellowship, and a Fellowship from the Institute of Politics at the John F. Kennedy School of Government. She is also the recipient of two honorary degrees from Pine Manor College and Cambridge College.

She sits on several Boston based Boards including the Boston Museum, the Ford Hall Forum, Cambridge Reads, and the Boston Book Festival.

Crossley is also a wine enthusiast. She talks about wine on NPR, authors the wine blog “The Crushed Grape Report,” and is a member of the Boston Wine Writers.