

## CALLIE CROSSLEY BIOGRAPHY 2014

Callie Crossley is a TV and Radio Host, Commentator, and Public Speaker.

Currently she is the Host of “Under the Radar with Callie Crossley” on WGBH Radio. She also authors a weekly on air commentary, which airs Mondays during WGBH’s “Morning Edition”. Prior to her latest roles on WGBH Radio, Crossley was both Host/Moderator of the two-hour show “Boston Public Radio” and the Host/Executive Producer of the “Callie Crossley Show.” During the run of the shows, she conducted interviews with Secretary of State John Kerry, musician Livingston Taylor, filmmaker Errol Morris, authors Junot Diaz and Louise Erdrich, political pundit Meghan McCain, Governor Deval Patrick, satirist Baratunde Thurston, architect Maya Lin, journalists Jonathan Alter, David Remnick, and Michele Norris, actors Anna Deavere Smith, Wayne Brady, and Rachel Dratch.

Crossley is a frequent guest on national and local programs offering commentary on politics, society, race, and pop culture. She is a regular contributor on Fox 25 Boston’s Morning Show, and appears weekly on WGBH-TV’s “Beat the Press,” a media criticism program which examines local and national media coverage, and “Basic Black,” another WGBH-TV program focusing on current events concerning communities of color. She has appeared on NPR’s “The Takeaway”, “Tell Me More with Michel Martin,” as well as CNN’s Reliable Sources. Ms. Crossley was a producer for the critically acclaimed documentary series, “Eyes On the Prize: America’s Civil Rights Years,” which earned her an Oscar® nomination and major film and journalism awards, including a National Emmy, a Peabody, an Edward R. Murrow award, a Christopher, and an Alfred I. DuPont-Columbia Award (Gold Baton), considered the Pulitzer Prize of broadcast journalism.

A sought after public speaker, Crossley keynotes local and national conference meetings and community forums, recently delivering several citywide MLK Day lectures, and a talk at the Museum of Fine Arts. She is a regular moderator for Forum events at Boston’s John F. Kennedy Library. As a Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow, she guest lectures at colleges and universities about media literacy, media and politics, and

the intersection of race, gender and media. A former producer for ABC News 20/20, Ms. Crossley also served as Program Manager for the Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard University.

Ms. Crossley has been awarded two Harvard Fellowships--a Nieman Fellowship, and a Fellowship at the Institute of Politics at the John F. Kennedy School of Government. She is a graduate of Wellesley College, and holds an honorary Doctor of Arts degree from Pine Manor College and an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Cambridge College.

In 2014 Crossley won three awards for writing, producing and co-hosting (with Bob Seay) the one hour radio documentary, "Witness to History: WGBH Radio's Coverage of the 1963 March on Washington."  
AP Award Best Documentary  
Edward R Murrow Regional Best News Documentary  
Clarion Award Best Radio Documentary, One Time

In February 2013 she was named one of four Wellesley graduates to receive the Wellesley Alumnae Achievement Award, the college's highest honor.

In 2012, she was named by the Tennessee Historic Commission as one of twelve 'distinguished' Tennesseans to be featured in the AT&T African-American History Calendar. The Ford Hall Forum also honored her with its highest recognition, The George Coleman Award, for extraordinary community service.

In 2011, she was one of six women to receive the Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts' Leading Woman Award and one of 125 women featured in the book, Boston Inspirational Women, photographs by Bill and Kerry Brett, text by Carol Beggy.