

# DEBRA ALFARONE

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Debra Alfaroni is an award-winning, Emmy-nominated television Anchor and Reporter, whose live reports and features can be seen on WUSA9, the CBS station in the nation's capital, Washington D.C. She covers everything from breaking news to crime to stories of people making a difference. She joined the station in October, 2012.

Debra was promoted to weekend evening Anchor in April 2015, after filling in at the anchor desk since her arrival. She's covered the 2015 U.S. visit of Pope Francis, the search for UVA student Hannah Graham, and was nominated for an Emmy for her extensive coverage on the injustice of the backlog of untested sexual assault evidence kits nationwide.

Before that, Debra spent several years as a reporter in NY/NJ/CT for PIX 11 News and NBC Connecticut. She was the first reporter on the scene when human remains thought to be the work of a Long Island serial killer were discovered at Gilgo Beach, and she relentlessly covered the record-breaking day-after-Christmas 2010 snow emergency that brought the city that never sleeps to a grinding halt.

Debra's known for her conversational, creative and street-smart style of storytelling.

## **What:**

Emmy Award-Nominated Anchor and Reporter who aces live shots, thrives on breaking news, is a compelling, creative storyteller and breathes new life into routine stories.

## **Where:**

WUSA9 – CBS Station – Washington, D.C. (2012 – present)

Weekend Evening Anchor/Reporter

Breaking news, crime, consumer and features

Broke exclusive story of a local sailor experiencing debilitating illness after serving on USS Ronald Reagan after Fukushima power plant explosion

First DC reporter on the ground after Sandy Hook elementary school massacre.

Covered the search for missing UVA student Hannah Graham

PIX 11 News – WPIX-TV – New York City (2010 – 2012)

General Assignment Reporter – 10pm and Morning News

Breaking news, crime, consumer and features

First reporter on scene at discovery of Gilgo Beach bodies, covered killing of Osama bin Laden, 5-part series on 10th anniversary of 9/11, 12 hours of Tropical Storm Irene coverage.

Host of "Alt Side" – weekly interview segment filmed in car during alternate-side-of-street-parking

NBC Connecticut HD – WVIT-TV, W.Hartford, CT. (2008 – 2010)

Morning Live Shot Reporter

Breaking news, crime, education, politics and features

Do live shots for MSNBC on local stories of national interest

Was first reporter on-air at Wesleyan University shooting, covered Yale Murder case, Avon Mountain crash courtroom trial

Received AP award for in-depth story comparing the 2008 recession to the Great Depression

News 12 Connecticut (2004 – 2008)  
General Assignment Reporter/ Fill-In Anchor  
Breaking news, crime, education, politics and features  
NY Emmy Award- Nominated  
Associated Press Award  
Connecticut Press Club for Spot News 2005, 2006, 2007  
Several Society of Professional Journalists Awards

Time Warner Cable – Staten Island 76, Staten Island, New York (2003 – 2004)  
General Assignment Reporter / Fill-in Anchor

NY1 News, New York, New York (2002 – 2003)  
News Assistant – Field / Assignment Desk

**When** (I wasn't in News)

Before switching into television in 2002, I was a Series 7 licensed Broker working in Marketing/Sales/Business Development roles for several Fortune 500 firms:  
Morgan Stanley  
American Express

**How:** (I got started)

B.A., State University of New York at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, New York  
Broadcasting Study, New York University, New York, New York

**Why:**

Because you will not find a journalist who works harder, and displays a more positive team-player attitude.