

Biographical Description for The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Condace Pressley

PERSON

Pressley, Condace

Alternative Names: Condace Pressley;

Life Dates: October 10, 1964-

Place of Birth: Marietta, Georgia, USA

Residence: Marietta, GA

Work: Atlanta, GA

Occupations: Broadcast Journalist

Biographical Note

Journalist Condace Pressley was born in 1964 in Marietta, Georgia. She graduated from Marietta High School in 1982, where she was a columnist for her high school paper and co-editor of the school's year book. She then went on to attend the University of Georgia and served as the news director of the college's radio station before graduating magna cum laude with her B.A. degree in journalism in 1986.

Pressley was first hired at Cox as a reporter/anchor in 1986. She worked her way up, and in 1999, became the assistant program director and worked on radio stations AM750 and NOW95.5FM News/Talk WSB. In 1992, she was promoted to Cox's general manager; and in 2012, became the general manager for WSB-AM. Pressley hosts her own show, Perspectives , where she interviews celebrities, authors, news makers and community leaders. She also contributes news reports to Atlanta's Morning News with Scott Slade and the Sean Hannity Show .

Pressley has been recognized numerous times for the quality of her journalism. In 1990 and 1991, she was named Radio News Woman of the Year Atlanta by the American Women in Radio and Television; and in 1990, she was also named Radio News Woman of the Year Atlanta by the American Women in Radio and Television. Pressley was elected president of the Atlanta Association of Black Journalists in 1993. In 2001, she was elected president of the National Association of Black Journalists, and became director of the Radio Television News Directors Association. Pressley was honored at the 2010, YWCA Tribute to Women Leaders, and named a Pioneer Journalist by the Atlanta Association of Black Journalists in 2012. Marietta Mayor Steve Tumlin named July 11, 2012, Condace Pressley Day.

Pressley has been published in the Nieman Reports , the Federal Communications Law Journal , and The Atlanta Daily Journal , and has served as a featured as a guest on CNN and C-SPAN .

Condace Pressley was interviewed by The History Makers on February 19, 2014.

Related Entries

St Joseph Catholic School [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

Marietta High School [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

Salutatorian

University of Georgia [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

ABJ Magna Cum Laude w/ High Honors

WSB Radio [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 199401 to 199908]

Assistant News Director

WSB Radio [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 198610 to 198802]

Reporter/Anchor

WSB Radio [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 198802 to 199401]

Producer/Assignment Editor

WNGC/WGAU Radio [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 198503 to 198506]

Reporter/Anchor

Georgia Radio News Atlanta [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1098606 to 198610]

Anchor

Cox Media Group Atlanta [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 199908 to 201309]

Assistant Program Director

Cox Media Group Atlanta [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 201309 to ?]

Manager, Program Operations and Community Affairs

WRFC Radio, Athens [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 198509 to 198606]

Reporter/Anchor

National Association of Black Journalists [MEMBEROf]
[from 1988 to ?]

President, Broadcast Vice President, Director: Region IV

Atlanta Association of Black Journalists [MEMBEROf]
[from 1988 to ?]

President, Treasurer

University of Georgia National Alumni Association [MEMBEROf]
[from 1989 to ?]

Georgia Associated Press Broadcast Association [MEMBEROf]
[from 1991 to 1993]

President, Vice President Radio

Executive Committee [MEMBEROf]
[from 1993 to 2001]

Atlanta Press Club [MEMBEROf]
[from 1996 to ?]

Director

Henry W. Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication Advisory Board
[MEMBEROf]
[from 2008 to ?]