

Brandy Yanchyk BROADCAST JOURNALIST

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From March 2010 to March 2011 I produced, wrote and directed the one hour documentary *Brooks – The City of 100 Hellos* for OMNI TV. This film explores how immigration changes and challenges a cowboy town.

Please visit my website to see many of the different TV, Radio and Online features I have created.

FREELANCE BROADCAST JOURNALIST

May, 2009 – Present

I am currently reporting, shooting and editing my own features and documentaries from Canada for various broadcasters.

I primarily work for BBC World TV, BBC News Online and On Demand, BBC WORLD NEWS AMERICA and the BBC's travel show *Fast:track*. I also work for the German broadcaster Deutsche Welle whom I covered the Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics for.

Some of the selected cities I have reported from in Canada include: Vancouver, Toronto, Edmonton, Calgary, Montreal, Whitehorse, Yellowknife and Kuujuaq. I have also reported from Paris, London, Reykjavik, Budapest, Valletta, Taipei and Edinburgh.

CBC NEWS EDMONTON

January 2010 – Present

I am a casual Reporter at CBC TV News in Edmonton. I create local news items and report live on location for the 5:00pm, 5:30pm and 6pm nightly newscasts. I also make my own radio travel series for the CBC Edmonton's afternoon program *Radio Active*.

ALBERTA PRIMETIME

November 24, 2008 – May 22, 2009

I co-hosted fifty-five one hour live TV episodes of *Alberta Primetime* which was launched by Access TV and CTV. The program included panel discussions, features and one-on-one interviews with Albertan politicians and celebrities such as KD Lang and Ian Tyson. The show is the brainchild of Paul Lewis, the President and General Manager of Discovery Channel Canada.

FROM DESERT TO ICE

Documentary for the BBC World TV program *Our World*
September 2008

In 2008 I travelled to Iceland and produced, directed and wrote a 22 minute documentary about a handful of Palestinian refugees who were resettled in Iceland. *From Desert to Ice* examined the extraordinary transformation of the desert-dwellers as they sought to find refuge on a distant island in the far north.

BBC WORLD TELEVISION

BBC Television Centre, London
March 2006 – November 2008

Employed as a Broadcast Journalist on BBC World Television. I reported and shot my own news features for BBC World TV and wrote and prepared the international news in a 24 hour newsroom.

In October 2007, I helped to launch the new flagship program, *BBC World News America* for BBC World/ BBC America under the direction of Rome Hartman.

CBC NATIONAL RADIO NEWS

London, UK Bureau
October 2004-2007

Reporter covering international stories for CBC's National Radio News from London, England. I also made documentaries for CBC's *The World at Six*, *The World This Hour*, *Dispatches*, *The Current*, *CBC National Radio Sports*, *Syndication*, *The World This Weekend*, and *Metro Morning*.

Reporting highlights include:

- The 2007 Central England floods
- The poisoning of Russian former KGB Spy Alexander Litvinenko
- Transatlantic aircraft terror plot in 2006
- The London bombings of 2005
- The tragedy of HMCS Chicoutimi
- The Royal wedding of Prince Charles and the Duchess of Cornwall
- The ban on fox hunting
- The 2005 Tour de France.

BBC WORLD SERVICE

Bush House, London
May 2005 – May 2006

Employed as a Producer and Reporter for the BBC World Service. Worked on the global news and current affairs programmes: *World Briefing*, *Newshour*, *The World Today*, *Europe Today*, *World Update*, *World Have Your Say*, *The Boston based program*, *The World* and *OUTLOOK*.

CBC RADIO ONE/CBC NEWSWORLD

Toronto
May 2002- September 2004

Full time News Reporter for CBC Radio News in Toronto. Reported for National newscasts: *The World at Six*, *Canada at Five*, and *The World This Weekend*. Presented and produced documentaries for *The Current*, *Syndication*, *Fresh Air*, *Metro Morning* and *Go*. I also did live TV reports on the abduction and murder of ten year old Cecilia Zhang from her bedroom in Toronto.

EDUCATION

Graduated with a Bachelor of Applied Arts degree in Radio and Television Arts from Ryerson University, (2001-2003). Graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Concordia University with a Specialization in Theatre Performance, (1997-1999).

AWARDS

- Winner of the 2003 Academy of Canadian Cinema and Television Apprenticeship Program.
- Winner of 2003 Fairchild Award for the Radio Documentary, *Twenty Something in the Millennium*.