

caroline summers

PRODUCER | WRITER | STORYTELLER

SELECTED CREDITS:

48 HOURS UNIT

CBS NEWS

PRODUCER

[CURRENT] Helped build CBS series "Whistleblower" from the ground up; produced segments for Seasons 1 and 2 and Season 3 of NCIS: The Cases They'll Never Forget. Book, produce, write and supervise story production team

SHORT FILMS

FREELANCE

CREATOR-EDITOR

[CURRENT/SIDE HUSTLE] Conceive, shoot, write and edit (Adobe Premiere) videos for outside clients and for myself. My YouTube channel has 21.5K subscribers: <https://www.youtube.com/user/TheSommgirl>

DOCUMENTARY UNIT

CNN HEADLINE NEWS

SENIOR PRODUCER

Oversaw editorial and managed staff. Produced "Fatal Insomnia" episode of HLN medical mystery series. Cast, wrote, field- and post-produced three episodes of crime series: JonBenet Ramsey; Jeffrey Dahmer; Gianni Versace

WHO IS DONALD TRUMP?

A&E/LINCOLN SQUARE PRODS

SENIOR PRODUCER

Wrote, field- and post-produced full episode; supervised production staff and multiple edit rooms

BRAIN SURGERY LIVE

NATGEO/LEFTFIELD

CO-PRODUCER

Wrote and produced segments that aired throughout live broadcast fronted by Bryant Gumbel

VANITY FAIR CONFIDENTIAL

ID/TRUE ENTERTAINMENT

WRITER-PRODUCER

Produced hour on boy band impresario/con artist Lou Pearlman in collaboration with author Bryan Burrough

EATALY CAMPANIA PROMOTION

ITALIAN TOURISM BUREAU

EXEC PRODUCER

Directed in-store marketing shoot with Italian dignitaries and produced digital news release

WHY PLANES CRASH

MSNBC/THE WEATHER CHANNEL

SENIOR PRODUCER

Created highly rated series. Conceived, wrote and senior-produced episodes including Brace for Impact; Breaking Point; Brush with Death; Crisis in the Sky; Collision Course. Directed Lester Holt; worked with NBC's aviation analyst and produced \$100K worth of 3D animations per episode

AMERICA'S GOT TALENT

NBC/NBC NEWS

LEAD PRODUCER

Turned around weekly recap show on extremely tight deadlines for national broadcast. Wrote and directed standups for host Nick Cannon with 12-hour turnaround

THE MYSTERY OF FLIGHT 370

MSNBC/NBC NEWS

LEAD PRODUCER

Lead producer for special on the disappearance of a Malaysian Airlines Boeing 777 somewhere between Kuala Lumpur and Beijing

TERROR IN BOSTON

MSNBC/NBC NEWS

LEAD PRODUCER

Turned around compelling special within days of the Boston Marathon bombings. Was consistently chosen by NBC to write and produce cold open + first two acts of most "crashes" (quick-turnaround "Insta-Docs")

BORN IN THE WRONG BODY

MSNBC/NBC NEWS

SENIOR PRODUCER

Created and shot ahead-of-its-time series for MSNBC about transgender teens and adults. **NOMINEE, 19TH GLAAD MEDIA AWARD (TV JOURNALISM – NEWSMAGAZINE) – AND GOLD MEDAL WINNER, SOCIAL ISSUES, NEW YORK FESTIVALS (2009)**

EXTRAORDINARY PEOPLE

CH. 5 BRITAIN/NBC NEWS

CRASH PRODUCER

Co-produced and wrote for documentary about CHARLA NASH, the woman whose face and hands were torn off by a crazed chimpanzee

DEAD MEN TALKING

MSNBC/NBC NEWS

SENIOR PRODUCER

Led team of video journalists as we shadowed Macomb County, Michigan Medical Examiner Dr. Daniel Spitz and his investigators throughout the hot, smelly summer of 2008. Filmed families in their worst moments and convinced them to let us tell their stories on national television. Ended up with three riveting episodes.

CAUGHT ON CAMERA <i>Managed budgets, editorial and production teams for six episodes simultaneously</i>	MSNBC/NBC NEWS	SENIOR PRODUCER
HOOKED: MUSCLE WOMEN & TATTOOS HEAD TO TOE <i>Shot, produced, wrote and managed team of AP's and editors for episodes including female bodybuilders and tattoo/piercing/body modification devotees</i>	MSNBC/NBC NEWS	WRITER/PRODUCER
BEST JOBS EVER <i>Conceived, booked, field- and post-produced and wrote pilot for CNBC. Convinced the business network to use animations. Wrote and directed wraps with host Lester Holt</i>	CNBC/NBC NEWS	SENIOR PRODUCER
THE OKLAHOMA TORNADO TRAGEDY	WEATHER CHANNEL/NBC NEWS <i>Co-produced in a quick-turnaround situation</i>	CRASH PRODUCER
EVEREST AVALANCHE TRAGEDY <i>Peacock was at Mt. Everest to do an adventure show when 16 sherpas were killed in an avalanche. The show completely pivoted; I was tapped to write for 90-minute special</i>	DISCOVERY/NBC NEWS	LEAD PRODUCER
TOP 10 WEDDINGS OF 2012 <i>Covered celebrity weddings including Anne Hathaway, Drew Barrymore and Alec Baldwin</i>	TLC/NBC NEWS	WRITER/PRODUCER
iGENIUS: HOW STEVE JOBS CHANGED THE WORLD <i>Quick turnaround in the wake of the death of Steve Jobs, with the co-hosts of MythBusters</i>	DISCOVERY/NBC NEWS	CRASH PRODUCER
CHARLIE SHEEN: ON THE BRINK <i>Covered the Two and a Half Men star as he spiraled out of control. Co-wrote and co-produced. "Winning!"</i>	TLC/NBC NEWS	CRASH PRODUCER
KILLING BIN LADEN <i>The day after OBL was taken out by Navy SEALs, Discovery Channel commissioned Peacock Productions to turn around a special within days</i>	DISCOVERY/NBC NEWS	LEAD PRODUCER
SECRETS OF SEAL TEAM SIX <i>On the heels of very strong ratings for Killing bin Laden, Discovery requested an immediate follow-up featuring the team of highly trained assassins of Seal Team Six who killed the Al Qaeda leader</i>	DISCOVERY/NBC NEWS	LEAD PRODUCER
THE SPILL: CRISIS IN THE GULF <i>Produced and co-wrote special on the BP oil spill. Learned from Bill Nye exactly how an oil rig works</i>	WEATHER CHANNEL/NBC NEWS	CRASH PRODUCER
EARTHQUAKE IN HAITI <i>Turned it around again within days – with no narration</i>	MSNBC/NBC NEWS	LEAD PRODUCER
THE RISE AND FALL OF ELIOT SPITZER	MSNBC/NBC NEWS <i>Ran team that turned around special report in three days</i>	SENIOR PRODUCER
PREEMIES: BORN BEFORE THEIR TIME <i>Embedded in NYU Hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit for months, following the dramatic struggles of families trying to keep their newborn babies alive and get them healthy enough to go home. WINNER, NATIONAL COUNCIL ON FAMILY RELATIONS (2002)</i>	DISCOVERY HEALTH/ABC NEWS	PRODUCER
ARCH ENEMIES GIULIANI VS. THE MOB <i>Worked closely with New York Times reporter Selwyn Raab, author of "Five Families" and interviewed former Mafia types including the late Bill Bonnano, onetime head of the Bonnano crime family</i>	DISCOVERY/ABC NEWS	PRODUCER
A&E BIOGRAPHY • IMELDA MARCOS: STEEL BUTTERFLY" • "THE REDGRAVES" • "GEORGE HARRISON: QUIET LEGEND" • "JULIA LOUIS-DREYFUS" • "JOHN RITTER: IN GOOD COMPANY" • "ALL MY CHILDREN"	A&E/ABC NEWS	PRODUCER

OSAMA BIN LADEN ON TRIAL **COURT TV/ABC NEWS** **PRODUCER**
*Co-produced special right after 9/11 about what would happen if Osama bin Laden were caught and put on trial. Interviewed Rikki Klieman, William Kunstler, Gerald Spence, Stanley Cohen, Ron Kuby and other legal luminaries of the day. **WINNER, NEW YORK FESTIVALS (2002)***

TEENAGERS UNDER THE GUN **A&E/CAMERA PLANET** **SENIOR PRODUCER**
Shot, wrote and produced piece about teenagers who kill. Booked and conducted prison interview with a young girl spending the next several decades in prison for murdering a young family in Tennessee. Also booked and interviewed families of the victims of school shooter in Paducah, Kentucky

INSIDE STORY **A&E/CAMERA PLANET** **SENIOR PRODUCER**
“SHOOTING STARS: THE NY PAPARAZZI” • “ROAD WARRIORS: THE BIKER BROTHERHOOD”

iWITNESS **CBS EYE ON PEOPLE** **SENIOR PRODUCER**
Managed teams of video journalists embedded in various communities around the U.S. including monster truckers!

FOX NEWS CHANNEL **PRIMETIME WRITER**
Wrote for the new network’s primetime hour; also wrote for Shepard Smith

EXTRA **TIME TELEPICTURES/SYNDICATION** **FIELD PRODUCER**
Reported the Oklahoma City bombing, the crash of TWA Flight 800 and other news/entertainment pieces. Interviewed most major celebrities of the day and appeared several times on The Howard Stern Show – live!

INSIDE EDITION **KING WORLD PRODUCTIONS** **FIELD PRODUCER**
Covered 1993 World Trade Center bombing, O.J. Simpson, Waco siege and other major new stories of the day. Managed very tight daily deadlines

BROADCAST: NEW YORK **SYNDICATED SERIES** **MANAGING EDITOR**
*Served as editorial director of statewide newsmagazine. **WINNER, OUTSTANDING MAGAZINE FORMAT PROGRAMMING, NEW YORK EMMY AWARDS (1991)***

VITAL STATS:

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BIG PICTURE:

- CBS NEWS (2018-PRESENT)
- CNN HLN (2016-2017)
- FREELANCE (2014-2016)
- NBC NEWS (2006-2014)
- ABC NEWS (2000-2006)
- FREELANCE (1997-2000)
- FOX NEWS CHANNEL (1996-1997)
- EXTRA (1994-1996)
- INSIDE EDITION (1992-1994)