

talent bios



Josh Mankiewicz

Correspondent, "Dateline NBC"; Correspondent, "NBC News Correspondents"

Josh Mankiewicz is a "Dateline NBC" correspondent based in Los Angeles. He began reporting for "Dateline NBC" in February 1995, and since then, he has contributed a mix of breaking news stories, news analysis and clever features to the broadcast.

Mankiewicz has covered a wide range of stories including Hurricane Katrina, the 1996 and 2000 presidential campaigns, the terrorist takeover of Japan's embassy in Lima, Peru, the mysterious mental disorder known as Munchausen's Syndrome by Proxy, the story of John Walker Lindh, the American who joined the Taliban, and numerous aspects of airline and airport safety and security. In addition, he offers "Dateline" viewers his offbeat take on news of the week as seen through the prism of blogs in, "The Mank Blog."

Recently, Mankiewicz reported on an in-depth investigation into America's most dangerous roads, the death of entertainment legend Johnny Carson, and he championed an examination into television news' coverage of high profile missing person cases and the role race plays in story selection, making "Dateline" the first network news program to take on the controversial issue. In addition, he has profiled Pastor Rick Warren, Janet Jackson, Kim Cattrall, Michael Flatley and Haley Joel Osment.

Prior to joining "Dateline NBC," Mankiewicz served as a correspondent for Fox Broadcasting Company's newsmagazine "Front Page." Before he joined Fox Broadcasting, Mankiewicz was a political reporter for KCAL-TV, Los Angeles from 1991 to 1993. There he covered all elections and state and local politics.

Mankiewicz also worked as political correspondent for WCBS-TV, New York where he covered local, state and national elections from 1986 to 1991. While he was there, he was a regular contributor to the station's weekly political magazine broadcast, "Sunday Edition."

From 1982 to 1986, Mankiewicz was a correspondent with ABC News. From 1983 to 1986, he covered 11

southern states for all network broadcasts and frequently contributed to "Good Morning America," "This Week with David Brinkley" and "ABC Weekend News." Before 1983, he covered Miami and south Florida for the network and was also assigned to Beirut, Israel, El Salvador and Nicaragua. From 1977 to 1980, he served as a reportorial producer based at the ABC News Washington bureau, where he covered Capitol Hill, concentrating on the House of Representatives. He also reported on and traveled with the 1980 Kennedy, Connally and Mondale campaigns.

From 1980 to 1982, Mankiewicz was a reporter with WJLA-TV, Washington, DC, where he specialized in politics and also reported on the return of American hostages, the closing of the Washington Star and the Washington Post/Janet Cooke Pulitzer Prize controversy.

Mankiewicz graduated with honors from Haverford College with a Bachelor of Arts in sociology.