

MASTER OF CEREMONIES ERNABEL DEMILLO



Ernabel Demillo is a veteran New York City broadcaster and journalism educator. For 10 years, she worked as a reporter and anchor on the Emmy-award winning FOX morning news show, “Good Day New York.” Before coming to New York, she was a reporter for the Orange County Newschannel and the CBS-affiliate in Sacramento.

She currently hosts and reports for CUNY-TV’s 7-time Emmy-nominated program “Asian American Life” <http://www.cuny.tv/show/asianamericanlife>, a magazine-style show focusing on the tri-state’s Asian American community. Her stories have focused on hard-hitting AAPI issues from the growing political influence of AAPIs to Asian American parents and their LGBTQ children. Her stories have also focused on diversity in theater, Hollywood and children’s/YA literature. And she has interviewed and profiled innovators, leaders and rising stars in business, technology, entertainment and the arts.

She also contributes to CUNY-TV’s other shows and was the recent host and moderator for CUNY-TV’s Live Town Hall focusing on immigration. In 2019, 2017 and 2013, she was honored with an individual Emmy nomination for her reporting on Cambodians in the Bronx, Filipinos in New York City and Best Environment Program for her story on a group of musicians who turn trash into musical instruments.

She is an award-winning journalist, cited by the Governor of New York for her service and contributions to the Asian American Community and was honored with a Folio Award for Best Environmental Reporting. She also made BuzzFeed’s list of 34 Epic Filipinos in the United States for her work as a journalist and educator and was featured in the recent book: Filipinos in New York. Ernabel was also featured in The Limited’s New Look of Leadership Campaign.

Along, with her work as a journalist, Ernabel managed to find success in a second career. She is a tenured Journalism professor at Saint Peter’s University in Jersey City, N.J. and is faculty chair of the Department of Communication and Media Culture. She started the Journalism program in 2008 and served as the faculty adviser to the school newspaper, the Pauw Wow, which was named one of the Top 10 college newspapers in the country.

In 2017, she was the inaugural recipient of the Frank LoMonte Ethics in Journalism Award, which is given to someone who performs “in an outstanding ethical manner demonstrating the ideals of CMA’s Code of Ethical Behavior” for defending and supporting her students.

Ernabel is also quite active in the Asian American community. Along with emceeding numerous events, she has served on the boards of several organizations including: Vice President of Broadcast for AAJA, board member for Apex for Youth, an AAPI mentoring organization and board member for the Coalition for Asian American Children and Families (CACF) for almost two decades. CACF is the largest pan-Asian advocacy group in the country. She currently serves on the board of Advancement for Rural Kids (ARK), a non-profit helping build schools and empowering communities in developing countries.

Ernabel grew up in San Francisco, California. She received her B.A. in Journalism and International Relations from the University of Southern California and her M.S. in Broadcast Journalism from Northwestern University’s Medill School of Journalism. She lives on the Jersey Shore with her husband, John Muller, an anchor for PIX11News and their 17-year-old daughter.

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