



### **Tyler Ashburn**

Tyler is a senior at Berrien High School in Nashville, Georgia. He's involved in Work-Base-Learning programs where he serves as a guide for underclassman in the Audio-Video Technology/Film pathway. He also interns at ESE Networks and hopes to continue his education at Kennesaw State University.

### **Todd Bateman**

Todd is a retired educator with over 30 years of experience as a classroom teacher and administrator. He has been instrumental in supporting student journalism through ESE Networks, a proud supporter and sponsor of STN. ESE is dedicated to providing technology solutions for schools and a powerful voice for students around the world to utilize their knowledge, skill and voice to implement positive change in education and society.

### **Grant Bochantin**

Grant is currently the Post Production Supervisor on DC's *Legends of Tomorrow*. He has worked for Warner Brothers, Lionsgate, Disney and ABC Family on multiple shows including *The Flash*, *Shadowhunters*, *Baby Daddy*, *Recovery Road* and *Walk the Prank*.

### **Judah Brody**

Judah is the founder of the livestream team for DPNews in Goleta, California. He has produced countless high school sports broadcasts of Football, Baseball, Water Polo, Basketball, and Volleyball.

### **Carlsbad High School Television**

Carlsbad High School's live daily broadcast is the recipient of 11 STN Awards of Excellence honors. Their broadcast reaches an audience of 2,600 students and is carried live on two community cable stations. The program has produced award-winning internationally acclaimed documentary films on controversial subjects including vaccinations, hunger and the Holocaust.

### **Jamie Chuyen and Johns Creek High School**

Jamie Chuyen is Johns Creek High School's Audio/Video Technology & Film Instructor and the school's current Teacher of the Year. He has been teaching television production for 26 years. Alex Hayes and Kat Rolader are the Student Producers for the school news broadcast. Jeremy Paredes and Landon Read are the current hosts for GameDay.

### **Scott Collins**

Prior to teaching, Scott was a TV news producer in Seattle and Portland. He also worked in newsrooms in the Midwest. Collins oversaw the broadcast, newspaper and yearbook programs at Raytown (Missouri) H.S. for four years. He currently advises student publications at University Prep in Seattle.

### **Carly Danek**

As a television news photographer, Carly has covered every kind of story you've seen on the news. She has worked in Oregon, Oklahoma and Minnesota and for the past three years has worked on a show that challenges the conventions of local news at KARE-TV in Minneapolis.

### **Dave Davis**

Since 1989 Dave has overseen Hillcrest's "HTV Magazine". He also is the executive producer of the *Bay 11* podcast, which is in its second year. HTV has won eight Robert F. Kennedy Awards, and 14 Broadcast Pacemakers, both national records. Davis was a founder and the first president of STN.

### **Jordan Elder**

Jordan is a 3rd year STN Intern & Arizona State University Senior.

### **Eurasia Foundation's US-Russia Youth Media Exchange Team**

Eurasia Foundation, in partnership with STN, offers youth media exchange programs to US and Russian teenagers to develop leadership and video production skills while engaging in cross-cultural collaboration.

### **Lee Giat**

Lee is the founder of his production agency, Flying Ostrich Media. Giat is also an STN & US-Russia TV Bridge alumnus, the creator and host of *The STEM*, a pilot, a Student Astronaut, and is an acclaimed filmmaker with two short films screening at Cannes.

### **Noah Gray**

Noah is a producer for CNN, currently assigned to the White House Unit after covering the Trump campaign. He lived on the road for 18 months as CNN's "Trump Embed," criss-crossing the country, chasing and reporting on Trump. Gray, the 2010 STN Student of The Year, got his start with CNN at 16 and has traveled the world for the company.

### **Jim Guarasci**

Jim has 28 years of experience in film and television production and is currently Executive Producer at BECON-TV (WBEC-TV). He has worked in multiple areas of production including as Producer, Director of Photography, Director, and Videographer. His awards include a Suncoast Chapter Emmy Award, five Telly Awards, and Communicator Award of Excellence.

### **Jennifer Hoff and Mike Soe**

Jennifer and Mike have more than 25 years of combined experience in television news. Not only have they worked together for most of it, they're also married. She's in front of the camera. He's behind it. But they share a passion for telling stories.

### **Peter Johanns**

Peter is Associate Professor of Television-Radio in the Roy H. Park School of Communications at Ithaca College. He is also Co-founder of *TVCoaches.com*, a company specializing in developing on-air talent. More than one hundred of his former students work on-air in news, sports, weather and entertainment.

**Paul Kass**

Paul is a teacher at Placerita Junior High. He has been the broadcast journalism and film advisor for the past 24 years. Paul is also an active member of STN, having attended all 16 conventions and currently serving his second term on the STN Board of Directors.

**Ken Kebow**

Ken is a producer/director with 30 years of production experience and a list of clients including Google, American Airlines, Ford, Sony and NASA. He has received numerous awards for his corporate work, an Emmy Award for his documentary work and numerous film festival awards.

**William Michael Linn Ph.D**

Will is the Executive Director of the Joseph Campbell Writer's Room on the Campus of Studio School, where he chairs the General Education department and teaches courses on mythic storytelling. Will is Intern Director for the Joseph Campbell Foundation and hosts *Mythosophia* for the SB NewsPress radio station.

**Mark Lodato**

Mark is Associate Dean of the Cronkite School and associate general manager of Arizona PBS at ASU. As Associate Dean, Lodato leads undergraduate recruitment and retention efforts and supervises the Cronkite School's broadcast and sports curriculum.

**Ted Madden**

Currently a video producer for the Mesquite (Texas) school district, Ted spent 14 years as a sports reporter in the Dallas-Fort Worth market. He has a unique ability to craft great feature stories by connecting with and listening to his interview subjects.

**Jeremy Menard**

Jeremy is the Manager of Television & Radio Operations within Ithaca College's Roy H. Park School of Communications. He oversees the school's student run television station, ICTV and radio stations, WICB-FM & VIC Radio. Prior to joining IC's staff, he served as the Operations Manager of WPIE, the ESPN Radio affiliate in Ithaca, New York.

**John (JJ) Murray**

JJ is an Award-Winning educator and video professional with more than 20 years of news gathering experience as a reporter, photographer, producer, executive producer and news director. He has worked at more than 10 TV stations across the country and taught high school and college media production classes. Many of his former employees and students have also gone on to award-winning careers.

**Wesleigh Ogle**

Wesleigh is the weekend morning anchor and feature reporter for KATU News in Portland, Oregon. She has worked for TV stations in Coos Bay, Oregon and Eugene, Oregon. She took video production classes and was the news anchor for NTV at Northwood High School in Irvine, California. She has a B.A. in Journalism from Southern Methodist University and attended STN as a student in 2008 – and now she's a judge and speaker!

**Tom Oliva**

Tom is the Executive Director and Co-Founder of the All American High School Film Festival. He has worked with young creatives for over 20 years, helping them harness their talent. He has also evaluated more student films than anyone on the planet, so he knows what works! Tom has produced films for AT&T, IMAX, Sony, Blackmagic Design, Jostens, Refinery 29, Music Choice, etc.

**Chelsea Osei**

Chelsea is a 4th year STN Intern & University of Central Missouri Senior.

**Kevin Patterson**

Kevin is in his 8th year advising WROR-TV at Oviedo High School, where he has been recognized statewide and nationally (including the 2018 STN Teacher Video Contest). He began a podcast called "They Teach That" in the summer of 2018. He is a graduate of Florida State University.

**Jill Perry**

Jill is a dynamic stage actor who found great comfort in the studio over 20 years ago and now talks to herself in the closet for at least a couple of hours a day. The joy of storytelling, branding, bringing comfort and trustworthiness to the masses is an ancient art quite relevant this very minute.

**Jaimee Rashbaum**

Jaimee is an Emmy-winning producer who spent 14 years as a TV news producer in Syracuse, New York City and Miami. She produced on 9/11/2001 at WNBC and covered other major news events. She now teaches TV production and history at Pine Crest School in Fort Lauderdale.

**Katelyn Rivera**

With nearly ten years of working and traveling within the cosmetic industry, Katelyn has been a part of nationwide cosmetic events that empower women and men to express themselves through the art of makeup.

**Jacki Romey**

Jacki is currently President of the STN Board of Directors and is retired after 30 years as a Broadcast Journalism teacher in Arizona and Arkansas. She volunteers in film and broadcast programs in inner-city Memphis.

**Les Rose**

Prior to joining Syracuse University as a Professor of Practice in Broadcast and Digital Journalism, Les had a 38-year career in broadcast journalism, including 22 years at CBS National News as a photojournalist and field producer. He spent seven years with CBS News correspondent Steve Hartman on the series *Everybody Has a Story*.

**Douglas Russell and James Page**

With a combined 40+ years' experience in the video production industry, Doug and James have seen it all (and probably done most of it, too!). Working the industry today gives them unique insight as to the current trends in video production technology for the upcoming year and beyond.

**Sara Smart**

Sara is a 4th year STN Intern & Florida State University Senior.

### **Karrie Smythia**

Karrie advises Titan Television at Lee's Summit West High School. She has been a member of STN since 2002 and has taught summer camps through ASB. Her program has earned multiple state and national awards and she has had three of her students named STN Student of the Year.

### **Aaron Sortal**

Aaron is a 4th year STN Intern & Syracuse University Senior.

### **Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools**

Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools is aimed at promoting social inclusion through school-based activities affecting systems-wide change. With sports as the foundation, this model offers a unique combination of effective activities that equip young people with tools and training to create sports, classroom and school climates of acceptance.

### **Dean Staley**

Dean is broadcast professional with 25 years of experience including two years at the network level working as a correspondent for ABC News. He has won numerous awards including 14 Emmys and 3 Edward R. Murrow Awards. Staley also spent 3 months in Iraq embedded with the 101st Airborne Division during the invasion of 2003. He is currently the principal anchor and special projects reporter for the FOX/CBS TV station in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

### **Ken Stone**

For 20 years, Ken was a TV and radio news anchor and reporter, news director, show producer, talk show host and Emmy Award winner. He was on the faculty at the University of Minnesota's Journalism School for 7 years and now runs his own video production company.

### **Kara Strickland**

Kara is a 4th year STN Intern & Missouri University Senior.

### **Katy Temple**

Katy built her reputation as a sports broadcaster. She started with an on-air job doing play-by-play for Fresno and later became the sideline reporter for the Atlanta Braves and NFL Network. She was the sports anchor and co-host of *That Sunday Sports Show* for FOX6 in San Diego. Katy has a San Diego Press Club Award and an Emmy Award and now consults with professionals who need on-camera coaching.

### **Stacey Woelfel**

Stacey is a professor at the Missouri School of Journalism and director of its Documentary Journalism center. He is the former news director for KOMU-TV. He has led RTDNA, Carole Kneeland Project and Mid-America chapter of NATAS, winning the Payne Award, multiple Emmys and Murrows, and the Kemper Fellowship.

### **Jamie Yuccas**

Jamie is a National Correspondent for CBS News based in Los Angeles. She joined Newspath in N.Y. in 2015, and has covered high profile stories including Orlando's Pulse Nightclub shooting and the presidential campaign. Yuccas was previously reporter and morning anchor of WCCO-TV. She has won two Emmy Awards, including one for her coverage of 2012's Hurricane Sandy.