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## WABC-TV CHANNEL 7 EYEWITNESS NEWS NEW YORK WELCOMES ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER JOELLE GARGUILO



ABC7/WABC-TV\*

**ABC7/WABC-TV** today announced Emmy<sup>®</sup> Award-winning entertainment reporter Joelle Garguilo has joined the WABC-TV Channel 7 Eyewitness News in New York team. Garguilo will take over for beloved veteran reporter <u>Sandy Kenyon</u> as he transitions to consultant for ABC Owned Television Stations. Garguilo will report alongside Kenyon for Hollywood's Biggest Night, covering the 96<sup>th</sup> Oscars<sup>®</sup>. The two will be on-site at the Dolby Theater to share all things Oscars from can't-miss moments leading up to, during and after the big event on March 10.

"Joelle Garguilo approaches every story with enthusiasm, heart and a true passion for all things entertainment and lifestyle," said Marilu Galvez, president and general manager of ABC7/WABC-TV New York. "Those attributes make her one of the most appealing interviewers in entertainment reporting and someone I know our viewers are going to love."

Garguilo, a native New Yorker began her career in broadcast television 15 years ago at NBC – throughout which she has interviewed hundreds of stars on the screen and stage including Oprah Winfrey, Tom Cruise, George Clooney, Tom Hanks, Denzel Washington, Jim Carrey, Zendaya, Timothee Chalamet, Julia Roberts, Tony Bennett, Idina Menzel and Kristin Chenoweth, among others.

Throughout her tenure, she held multiple roles across the network. Most recently, she worked as an on-air entertainment and features reporter for "New York Live," correspondent for "E!" News while contributing at the "Today Show with Hoda & Jenna" and has covered some of the biggest

entertainment events of this last year, including the "Oppenheimer," "Barbie," and "Mission Impossible - Dead Reckoning Part 1" premieres, the Met Gala, the MTV VMAs and the Tribeca Film Festival, among many others. As a contributor to the "Today Show with Hoda & Jenna" since 2021, she hosted the special segment "Scoop on the Scene," an entertainment news segment combining entertainment news and celebrity interviews as well as co-developed and hosted the live and taped segments for "Just the Good News."

Garguilo began her career with NBC News Mobile where she wrote, produced, edited and anchored human interest, news and features packages. From there, she joined the weekend "TODAY" show launching "POPStart" as host and producer as well as introducing "Orange Room." Simultaneously, she was reporting for New York Live which included the opportunity to co-host Golden Globes<sup>®</sup> live pre-show specials and co-host their SNL 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary special. Garguilo also created "POPSTART EXTRA" for TODAY.com where she wrote, hosted and edited all digital segments.

Garguilo's talents have earned her two Emmy Awards, one for the Magazine Program "New York Live Home for the Holidays" and a second for Outstanding Entertainment: Program Features/Segment for New York Live Features/Segments.

In addition to entertainment coverage, Garguilo has a passion for sharing lifestyle, small business, human interest and "feel good" content. Earlier in her career, she worked as a financial analyst for New Line Cinema.

Garguilo, her husband and two children reside in New York.

## About ABC7/WABC-TV New York

ABC7 has been the leader in local news and entertainment programming in the New York City area for 75 years. Producing more than 45 hours of live local news and weather each week, Channel 7 "Eyewitness News" is the most-watched local news in New York and the United States. WABC-TV also produces "Live with Kelly and Mark," weekdays at 9:00 a.m., which is seen in more than 200 markets across the U.S. Quality news and programming, cutting-edge technology, and ongoing community outreach are the hallmarks of excellence that have consistently kept WABC-TV New York's No. 1 station and the most-watched television station in the nation.

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