# **Zora Stephenson**

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# **Experience**

## NBC Sports, Reporter/Play by Play Announcer/Host

Summer 2021- present

- On air talent for the national sports network with various assignments and responsibilities
- Sideline Reporter for Notre Dame Football, Big Ten Football, and USFL games on NBC, USA Network, and Peacock
- Host for a daily 30 minute Olympic Twitter show during the 2022 Winter Games
- Play by Play Announcer for college basketball
- Gymnastics Reporter
- Podcast Host

#### Milwaukee Bucks & Bally Sports Wisconsin, Reporter & Play by Play Announcer

Summer 2019-Summer 2023

- Sideline reporter and consistent member of the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest rated regional broadcast in the NBA
- Hosted the 2021 NBA Championship Parade in Milwaukee
- Served as the team's back up play-by-play announcer
- Made history on April of 2021 as the first woman to call a Milwaukee Bucks game
- Conducts halftime and post game walk off interviews with players, coaches, and special guests
- Creates digital reports and features for all Bucks social media platforms
- Voices PSAs, ads, and various reads for Bally Sports Wisconsin and Bucks social media

# Freelance Reporter and Play by Play Announcer

- New York Liberty play by play announcer on YES!
- NBA TV Summer League Reporter
- WNBA Commissioner Cup Reporter on Amazon Prime
- Fill-in host for Bally Sports' "The Rally"

## WTMJ Radio/ ESPN Milwaukee, Bucks Insider/ Contributor & Analyst

Spring 2020-Present

- On-air talent for the radio station
- Radio analyst for the Milwaukee Bucks vs. Miami Heat 2020 Eastern Conference Semifinal matchup
- Joins hosts for weekly segments centered around Bucks and NBA topics

#### Event Host (Virtual & In-person)

Summer 2015- Present

- Delivers speaker introductions, panel host, and interacts with the audience as the Emcee for the Milwaukee Bucks' multiday "Team Up For Change" Summit
- Interviews draft prospects for NBA's social media platforms
- Experience as a host and interviewer for branded activations, awards ceremonies, school, and community events

#### KDVR- Fox 31/ KWGN- Channel 2 News, Anchor/Reporter, Denver, CO

Summer 2017- Summer 2019

- General assignment reporter covering crime, breaking news, and sports for the duopoly in Denver
- Solo anchors the two hour Saturday morning newscast sharing local stories and sports news
- Emmy award winning journalist in the competitive Heartland region
- Created the franchise "Black History Highlights" that airs weekly in February

# WNCT-TV, Digital Journalist /Reporter/Fill-in Anchor, Greenville, NC

Summer 2015-Summer 2017

- Shoot, write, and edit two or more stories daily (multiple versions in each newscast)
- Fill-in news and sports anchor
- High school football reporter

# **Honors and Awards**

- Six Emmy awards (Honors include: Chicago/ Midwest Emmy for Sports Feature and Heartland Emmy for Live reporting)
- Featured in The Athletic, Variety, and Sports Business Daily
- RTDNAC TV News Reporter of the Year (Division II) 2017, LaChina Robinson Rising Media Star Participant, Cari Champion- Brown Girls Dream Program, NABJ Student Projects 2015

# **Leadership Positions**

- NCAA Division I, Elon Women's Basketball Captain, Elon, NC
- Member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated
- Milwaukee Bucks Diversity Leadership Team (2020-2023)

#### **Education**

Elon University, Elon, NC

Bachelor of the Arts, Magna Cum Laude '15