

Ed Gordon

Biography

Hard hitting, inspiring, intelligent, honest, and direct: these are some of the words used to describe the style and approach of Emmy award-winning broadcaster Ed Gordon. Known for his stellar interaction with newsmakers from the worlds of politics, entertainment, and sports, Gordon is also president of Ed Gordon Media, a multi-service production company.

Gordon is host and executive producer of *Ed Gordon*, an hour-long quarterly news magazine on Bounce TV. The programs have featured an emotional interview with The Mothers of the Movement, a group of women whose children had been killed by senseless violence, as well as a look at the movie *The Birth of a Nation* and the controversy surrounding its star and director, Nate Parker. Other highlights include a profile of controversial Congresswoman Maxine Waters and exclusive interviews with comedian Steve Harvey, R&B singer Maxwell, and the cast of the mega-movie *Girls Trip*.

In 2017, Gordon's fiery interview with White House staffer Omarosa Manigault-Newman made national headlines.

Gordon also can be heard on *The Steve Harvey Morning Show* where he gives his perspective on current national headlines. He also delivers *Right Now with Ed Gordon*, providing daily commentaries for radio stations across the country. Additionally, he is the host of the nationally syndicated radio program Weekend WITH ED GORDON. The 2-hour program is a mix of talk, information, entertainment, and music. It's been called "a fun, smart radio show for grown folks."

Gordon hosted and executive produced the nationally syndicated one-on-one program *Conversations with Ed Gordon*. The signature program allows Gordon to bring newsmakers and celebrities up close and personal to viewers. Over the years, guests have included Oprah Winfrey, Denzel Washington, Kevin Hart, and Janet Jackson among many others.

Gordon continues to be on the forefront of news. He conducted one-on-one interviews with President Barack Obama during his historic presidency. Gordon also anchored BET's coverage of the important 2012 Presidential election, Obama's second inauguration, Nelson Mandela's funeral from South Africa, and the 50th Anniversary of the historic March on Washington.

Gordon distinguished himself during two stints at BET. He's had many roles at the network, including host of *BET Tonight*, anchor of *BET News*, and creator of his signature one-on-one series, *Conversation with Ed Gordon*.

The list of impressive positions Gordon has held include contributing correspondent for the CBS newsmagazine *60 Minutes II* and contributor for NBC's *Today Show* and *Dateline*, NPR's *News and Notes with Ed Gordon*, MSNBC anchor and host of nationally syndicated television programs, *Our World* and *Weekly with Ed Gordon*.

Throughout his career, Gordon has covered many of the world's most defining events—from the historic 2008 United States Presidential election to the freedom of South Africa's Nelson Mandela, to the beating of Rodney King, to upheaval in Haiti and Cuba. He's also provided comprehensive coverage and up-to-the-minute reports on many other domestic and international affairs, including the tragic September 11th attack on America.

Some of Mr. Gordon's other notable works that have garnered the admiration and respect of viewers and colleagues include...

- The infamous O.J. Simpson interview
- An exclusive interview with pop superstar Janet Jackson about her secret marriage and painful divorce
- No holds barred, headline-making interviews with controversial Senator Trent Lott and embattled singer R. Kelly

Gordon's impressive portfolio also includes conversations with newsmakers the likes of Presidents Barack Obama and Bill Clinton, television mogul Oprah Winfrey, Beyoncé, Academy Award-winners Denzel Washington, Jamie Foxx, and Halle Berry, as well as Nation of Islam leader Minister Louis Farrakhan, comedian Kevin Hart, actor Idris Elba, Tupac Shakur, and Michael Jackson among others.

In addition to an Emmy, Gordon is the recipient of many other awards recognizing his talent and professionalism. His awards include the NAACP Image Award as well as the prestigious Journalist of the Year Award from the National Association of Black Journalists.

Gordon is an alumnus of a special list; *PEOPLE* magazine named him one of its 50 most beautiful people.

