



PHIL LIPOF

ABC News Correspondent, ABC News Live Weekend Anchor

Phil Lipof is an ABC News correspondent based in New York City. Since joining the network in August 2021, Lipof has reported across all platforms, including “World News Tonight with David Muir,” “Good Morning America,” “GMA3:What You Need to Know,” ABC News Live and “Nightline.”

Just days before the war in Ukraine began, Lipof was sent to Poland to cover what became a catastrophic refugee crisis. He spent three weeks field-anchoring for ABC News Live, telling the stories of the women and children crossing the border to safety.

Lipof has traveled the country covering breaking news with in-depth reporting. He reported from Uvalde, Texas, after the school shooting that killed 19 children and two teachers. Lipof anchored the network special on the Fourth of July, when a gunman fired shots into a holiday parade north of Chicago, killing seven. He reported live from Rolling Fork, Mississippi, after a deadly tornado tore through the small, tight-knit community.

In August 2024, Lipof began anchoring ABC News Live’s weekend shows and, at times, led hours of continuous coverage of world events, such as the crisis in the Middle East and the nationwide search for the United Healthcare CEO killer.

Lipof’s passion for music and songwriting led to the creation of “The Prime Playlist,” a series of in-depth stories on musicians from across genres. “The Playlist” focuses on each artist’s unique story and how they create their music. So far, Rick Allen (drummer of Def Leppard), Taylor Momsen (lead singer of Pretty Reckless), Muni Long, O.A.R., and Jordan Davis have made “The Playlist.”

Before coming to ABC News, Lipof was the main anchor of NBC’s affiliate in Boston. Prior to that, Lipof anchored and reported for WCVB in Boston. He spent eight years as an anchor and reporter at WABC, the network’s flagship station in New York City. Lipof also anchored with his wife, Juli, at WHDH in Boston. He anchored and reported at WFOR in Miami, where he had several exclusive interviews with O.J. Simpson. He began his career at KIDK in Idaho Falls.

Lipof is an Emmy® and Murrow Award winner who has covered 9/11, Hurricane Katrina, the Boston Marathon bombing, and Superstorm Sandy live from the barrier island of Seaside Heights, New Jersey. Internationally, he has reported from Poland, Germany, the West Bank and Israel, where he conducted an exclusive interview with Shimon Peres.

Over the years, Lipof has worked extensively with a number of charity organizations, including The Jimmy Fund, The Lupus Foundation of America, Gift of Life, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and ZERO – The End of Prostate Cancer.

While covering the lighter side of news, Lipof has flown with the Canadian Air Force, jumped out of a plane with the Army's Golden Nights, interviewed every living member of Led Zeppelin, and played guitar live on stage with the band O.A.R. in front of thousands of their fans.

Lipof and his wife like to run Spartan races together. They have two children.

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