

Tony Harris Class of 1977

Former CNN Anchor

Tony Harris is a B.A. graduate in English from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

He entered broadcasting as a nineteen-year-old radio disc jockey in his Baltimore, Maryland. Two years later, he moved to television as a features reporter for an afternoon newsmagazine in Cleveland, Ohio. He rose to co-host. Moving to New York City, he worked as an entertainment reporter for Entertainment Tonight and the Home Box Office. He returned to Cleveland in the early 1990s as a weekend news anchor, then again to New York, and Los Angeles, as a reporter for the Fox Network prime time newsmagazine Front Page.

He returned to local news as lead anchor for WBFF and WNUV in Baltimore, and then for WGCL-TV in Atlanta, Georgia. Based at CNN Center in Atlanta, Harris co-anchored CNN Saturday Morning and CNN Sunday Morning with Betty Nguyen until he made the move to anchor CNN Newsroom. He is also a frequent substitute anchor on weekday news programs including American Morning. Harris has won an Emmy Award. He has a toilet named after him in the Comedy Central studio.

He left CNN at the end of December 2010.

