

# Rendy Wicaksana

## **Communication Specialist**

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### SUMMARY

- Award-winning journalist with over 11 years of experience in national and international media organizations.
- Master the end-to-end production of multimedia publications such as TV, radio, digital, and social media
- Peabody Awards and GLAAD Award 2021 with VICE Media
- Excellent and proven on-camera public speaking skills for live reports and interviews
- Write and report in English and Indonesian to serve different audiences and demographics
- Experienced in covering complex and wide range of topics from breaking news, social issues, minority stories, politics, environment, energy, health issues.
- Currently based in New York City, open to relocation.

### PROFICIENCIES

Video editing: Adobe Premiere Pro

Social media and visual production: Instagram, Twitter, Youtube, Canva

Office tools: Word, Outlook, PowerPoint

Marketing tools: Emplify, Mail Chimp, Google Analytics

### EDUCATION

**Bachelor of Socials in International Relations**, Universitas Paramadina Jakarta, Indonesia. *Graduated in June, 2014*

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Voice of America, New York, United States**

##### **Multimedia International Journalist**

September 2022 - Current

- Serve as VOA Indonesia's on-the-ground correspondent in New York, producing high-impact news and feature stories for both television affiliates in Indonesia and VOA's global digital platforms.
- Report live and pre-recorded segments on-camera, delivering accurate, engaging, and timely content for both national and international audiences.

- Take full ownership of the production process single-handedly—pitching, scripting, filming, editing, and presenting multimedia stories tailored for diverse platforms.
- Cover a wide range of topics including major international events such as United Nations General Assemblies, U.S. elections, social issues, and human-interest stories from New York City and beyond.
- Collaborate closely with editorial teams across continents to ensure cultural relevance and journalistic integrity for the Indonesian-speaking audience.

### **VOA Indonesia, Jakarta Bureau**

#### **Indonesia Correspondent / Digital Content Producer**

August 2019–July 2022

- Serve as Indonesia correspondent for VOA, reporting directly from Indonesia for the Washington D.C. bureau with a strong focus on original, video-driven digital content.
- Create impactful, engaging multimedia stories specifically tailored for VOA Indonesia’s digital platforms, from concept to final edit.
- Operate as a “one-person newsroom,” independently handling the full production cycle—researching, scripting, filming, reporting, and editing on the ground.
- Cover underreported and socially significant issues often overlooked by mainstream Indonesian media, including minority rights, environmental challenges, LGBTQ+ advocacy, and refugee stories.
- Bring visibility to voices from the margins through thoughtful, human-centered storytelling that resonates with both domestic and international audiences.

### **Voice of America, Washington DC**

#### **PPIA-VOA Fellow / International Broadcaster**

May 2018–April 2019

- **Selected from hundreds of applicants** across Indonesia to join the prestigious PPIA–VOA Fellowship, a year-long opportunity designed for emerging journalists to gain international broadcasting experience at VOA's headquarters.
- Worked across **multi-platform media** formats including television, radio, and digital, creating original content for VOA Indonesia’s diverse audience.
- Produced both **straight news and feature segments** for Indonesian TV affiliates—handling the full production cycle from concept to delivery.

- Independently planned and executed story coverage: operating cameras, writing scripts, recording stand-ups, editing videos, and transmitting content directly from the VOA Washington D.C. newsroom.
- Played a key role in shaping **VOA Indonesia's social media presence**, creating engaging digital content in multiple formats such as web clips, IGTV, Stories, and behind-the-scenes Vlogs tailored to a younger, mobile-first audience.

**TvOne, Jakarta**  
**Reporter/Anchor**  
 May–August 2017

- Anchored **daily news and talk show programs**, delivering clear, authoritative, and engaging coverage on major national and international developments.
- Reported from the field on a wide range of topics including **politics, crime, human-interest features, and global affairs**, often under tight deadlines and breaking news situations.
- Led a field team of three, **coordinating logistics, editorial direction, and on-site production** while maintaining clear communication with newsroom producers and sources to ensure impactful news delivery.
- Performed **daily live reports**, offering real-time updates and on-the-ground insights for nationwide broadcasts, including various monumental breaking news events.
- Served as a **Vice Presidential and Presidential correspondent**, covering high-level political events, official state visits, and exclusive press briefings with precision and professionalism.

**Achievements:**

- [GLAAD Award 2021](#) for VICE News Documentary “**Inside Indonesia's Only Quran School for Trans Muslims | Transnational**”
- [Peabody Award 2021](#) for VICE News Transnational Documentary series

**Language Skills:**

Language	Spoken	Written	Read
English	Advanced	Intermediate	Advanced

Language	Spoken	Written	Read
Indonesian	Native	Native	Native
ASL	Novice	Novice	Novice



