



## **SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY BILL BOGGS**

**Bill Boggs**, currently the celebrity correspondent for the syndicated TV show "My Generation," is a four-time Emmy Award winning television interviewer and producer. In addition to his long and diverse career on television (anchoring the news for NBC, talk shows for Fox, a game show for CBS, a syndicated comedy show, and series for Showtime, The Travel Channel, The Food Network and more), Boggs is a writer and author, an acclaimed stage performer, and professional speaker. He is president of Bill Boggs Productions Inc. and a motivational sales consultant for The Laredo Group.

On television, Boggs has interviewed thousands of people, which has given him unprecedented access to some of the most successful individuals in the world--- presidents, international leaders, titans of business, sports superstars, acclaimed writers, iconic music figures, and movie stars. Through his work, Boggs has developed a life-long interest in exploring the subject of what makes certain people successful and in sharing his knowledge to benefit others. His widely praised 2008 Harper/Collins book, "Got What it Takes? Successful People Reveal How They Made it to the Top" has been hailed by Forbes magazine as "...a lessons-in-life career guide by stars at the top of their game."

In the media world, Boggs also worked as the executive producer during the two year creation and launch of Court TV, as well as helping to pioneer the launch of the Food Network. He created and hosted three shows for the network during its first decade, and served on stage around the country as its national spokesperson and host of Food Network Live. Boggs was also the executive producer of the ground-breaking "Morton Downey Jr. Show." As a speaker, Bill has shared the stage with Quincy Jones, Mliikki Williams, Cal Ripkin, Shirley Maclaine, Bill Cosby, Gene Simmons, Maya Angelo, Senator George McGovern, Mary Tyler Moore, and many others. Bill is a popular and frequently requested speaker for Vistage International, the world's largest CEO membership organization.

Boggs' talks, which combine insights from his book, clips from his TV shows, and stories of his own fascinating personal journey, offer an inspirational primer on how anyone can approach their career, the professional challenges they face, and the adversity in their path-- and prevail. He regularly speaks and conducts empowerment seminars for Vistage International, Inc., the world's largest C.E.O. organization. He is also a member of the National Speakers Association.

A native of Philadelphia and long-time Manhattan resident, Boggs earned his M.A. degree from the Annenberg School for Communication at The University of Pennsylvania as well as his B.A. from Penn with a major in Sociology. Prior to entering the media business, Bill was a public school teacher and a dean at his Alma Mater. Of the many honors accorded to him, Boggs is most proud of being named Father of the Year by the National Father's Day Association.

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