



## Michael Strahan

## Biography

Emmy winner, Super Bowl Champion, Pro Hall of Famer and Peabody award winning journalist, Michael Strahan currently co-hosts ABC's "Good Morning America." Strahan also hosts the top-rated primetime game show favorite "\$100,000 Pyramid" on ABC, produced by SMAC Entertainment in association with Sony Pictures Television, which is currently airing its sixth season. He was honored by the New York State Broadcasters Association as its Broadcaster of the Year for 2022. During the NFL football season, Strahan serves as an analyst of "Fox NFL Sunday," for which he received a 2019 Sports Emmy Award nomination for 'Outstanding Sports Personality – Studio Analyst' and a 2020 Sports Emmy Award nomination for 'Outstanding Studio Show – Weekly'. Strahan received a 2020 Sports Emmy Award nomination for 'Outstanding Sports Personality – Studio Analyst' for NFL on FOX. Strahan will soon be honored in the newest category of sports entertainment on the 2022 Hollywood Walk of Fame.

In December 2021, Strahan took flight to space with Jeff Bezos's aerospace company, Blue Origin, on their third passenger space mission. Strahan was joined by five others, including Laura Shepard Churchley, the daughter of Alan Shepard who was the first American in space.

Now partnered with longtime friend, Constance Schwartz-Morini, to form SMAC Entertainment, Strahan brings his skills, determination, leadership, experience and humor to the multi-dimensional talent management, music, branding, and production company. In addition to representing dynamic and globally recognized talent, SMAC has an exciting slate of network, cable, and streaming projects sold and in various stages of development with ABC studios on both the comedy and drama side, HBO, Charter/Spectrum, and CBS, to name a few. Notable projects include "The Joker's Wild" (TNT/TBS), "ESPN 30 for 30: Deion's Double Play" (ESPN), "Wiz Khalifa: Behind The Cam" (Apple), "Back In The Game" (CNBC), "Religion of Sports" (Audience Network), "State of Play: Happiness" (HBO), the documentary "Play It Forward" (Showtime), "Tackle My Ride" (NFL Network), More Than An Athlete (ESPN), The Cupcake Guys (Roku), The Unbreakable (HBO), and the hit primetime gameshow "The \$100,000 Pyramid" (ABC). In 2020, Strahan and SMAC Entertainment produced the Emmy-nominated HBO Sports documentary, "The Cost of Winning." The four-part docuseries follows the football team at St. Frances Academy in Baltimore, Maryland. Since 2014, Strahan and SMAC have produced the highly rated and critically acclaimed "Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Sports Awards." Strahan hosted the first "Kids' Choice Sports Awards" in 2014, as well as the ceremony in 2019. Additionally, SMAC partnerships include Issa Rae, Courteney Cox, KAPITAL Ent, Will Packer, SpringHill Ent., and Genius Productions.

Strahan produced an untitled scripted series based on the life of breakout star, Brittany Wagner, from the show, "Last Chance U." Additionally, co-founded by Strahan, Tom Brady and Gotham Chopra, The Emmy-award winning sports media content company Religion of Sports, recently released the documentary feature "The Great Brady Heist," which chronicles the disappearance of Tom Brady's jersey following the 2017 Super Bowl LI. Strahan is executive producing HBO's newly announced documentary "BS High," available to stream on HBO Max in 2023. Other projects include The Frontline (ABC) written by Marc Halsey and a series in development (BET), based on Dr. Ian Smith's book series about the PI, Ashe Cayn, written by Gregory Poirier. Strahan also tackled the world of scripted network primetime television as the star of "Brothers," a 30-minute sitcom on Fox from Sony Pictures Television.

Strahan has made memorable cameo appearances in the hit films "Magic Mike XXL" and "Charlie's Angels" (2019). He has also lent his voice to the animated film "Ice Age: Collision Course."

Prior to joining the ranks of the top sports broadcasters in the country, Strahan's entire 15-year football career was typified by the charisma and sportsmanship that made him a seven-time Pro-Bowler and one of only four players ever to

lead the NFL in sacks for two seasons. His spectacular NFL career resulted in Strahan being named to the 2014 Pro Football Hall of Fame class, the sport's highest honor.

Strahan led the New York Giants to a dramatic Super Bowl victory over the previously undefeated New England Patriots in 2007. In 2001, Strahan completed what is widely considered to be one of the greatest seasons ever for a defensive player, breaking the 18-year-old NFL single season sack record with 22.5 sacks. His record still stands today. The charismatic leader of the New York Giants was named the NFL's 2001 Player of the Year by Sports Illustrated and the 2001 Defensive Player of the Year by the Associated Press, making him the first New York Giant to win the award since Lawrence Taylor.

From 2012-2016, Strahan co-hosted the top-rated, nationally syndicated entertainment talk show "LIVE with Kelly and Michael." Strahan and co-host Kelly Ripa were the co-winners of the 2015 and 2016 Daytime Emmy for "Outstanding Entertainment Talk Show Host." In addition, Strahan was nominated for a 2014 Sports Emmy Award in the category of "Outstanding Sports Personality – Studio Analyst." Since joining "Good Morning America," the morning show won the Daytime Emmy Award for "Outstanding Morning Program" in 2017 and 2018. In 2021, Strahan received the prestigious Peabody Award.

In 2015, Strahan released his best-selling book, "Wake Up Happy: The Dream Big, Win Big Guide to Transforming Your Life," which includes personal stories and motivational advice to inspire readers to turn up the heat and go from good to great in pursuit of their personal ambitions. The paperback edition was released in October 2016.

In an effort to offer a more intimate picture of Michael Strahan's life, the second season of ESPN+'s original series *UNINTERRUPTED More Than An Athlete* will concentrate on Strahan's journey, including both his successes and failures. The four-part season, produced in partnership with Springhill Entertainment premiered in September 2021, highlighting Strahan's childhood in Germany, his professional football career, and more recent ventures as entrepreneur and media personality.

Acting on his entrepreneurial spirit, in 2015 Strahan launched Collection by Michael Strahan, a men's and boy's tailored clothing and accessories brand with retailer JCPenney. A year later, Strahan launched MSX by Michael Strahan to offer a casual lifestyle line of apparel and accessories. In less than 7 years and now under one umbrella, Michael Strahan™, the Michael Strahan lifestyle brand became a top selling brand and added 50+ categories in men, boys, and luggage. In 2020 the brand went back to Strahan's football roots and announced a partnership with G-III Apparel to launch an exclusive limited-edition Super Bowl LIV capsule collection in celebration of the NFL's 100th season. On the heels of its success, Strahan and G-III Apparel teamed up with The NFL Consumer Products Division to expand the line with dedicated team apparel for all 32 NFL teams. The line is available on Fanatics.com, team shops, various retailers nationwide and exclusive styles are offered on QVC. Michael Strahan™ continues to evolve and reach new audiences with a partnership with Tailored Brands making its quality apparel more accessible than ever at Men's Wearhouse and Moores stores online and nationwide.

In September 2022, the brand expanded into skincare with Michael Strahan Daily Defense, which will be available for purchase at Men's Warehouse and additional drug stores throughout the United States. The line features five clean and cruelty-free products, including a cleansing gel, clear shave gel, post-shave balm, hydrating moisturizer, and nourishing beard oil to ensure the modern man can incorporate a skincare routine into his busy, on-the-go lifestyle.

His partnership with SeeHer is the latest effort by Strahan to give back to the community, a commitment he has demonstrated while a football player and now as a TV star. Dedicated to many charitable works, Strahan donates his hands and heart to numerous charities. Since 2010, he has been a passionate supporter of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, filming holiday promotions as well as donating his time and celebrity to fundraising.

Born in Houston, Texas, Strahan spent most of his youth in Germany, where his father Gene was stationed in the U.S. Army. Strahan returned to the U.S. for a portion of high school and soon was recruited to play football at Texas Southern University.

A father of four, Strahan currently spends his time between New York and Los Angeles.