



Mr. Arun Rath QAS Alumnus of the Year 2009

Arun Rath is an award-winning veteran of public radio and television whose beat has ranged from the media industry to the Iraq war to world music.

Arun started his career in radio at NPR. He was the director of NPR's daily news show "Talk of the Nation" before moving to New York in 2000 to take over as senior producer of NPR's "On the Media." He oversaw the re-launch of the show with new hosts Brooke Gladstone and Bob Garfield, and during his tenure the program tripled its audience and won a number of awards, including a Peabody for its 2004 election coverage.

In 2005, Rath spent a year as the senior editor of PRI's culture and arts program "Studio 360," before being lured to television by PBS's Frontline. Arun has reported and produced three films for Frontline, the latest being an investigation of alleged war crimes committed by U.S. Marines in Haditha, Iraq.

In addition to his behind-the-scenes work as a producer, Arun has also appeared on camera as a reporter for FRONTLINE/World, and as an on air reporter and host for various public radio programs, including *On the Media* and WNYC's live music show, *Soundcheck*. And starting this summer, he will appear as a regular correspondent on a new PBS series about world music, *Soundtracks*.