

# AIDAN BOOKER

## CONTACT

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## EDUCATION

### WALTER CRONKITE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATION, ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Arts, Journalism  
and Mass Communication  
2024-2028

### BARRETT HONORS COLLEGE, ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

2024-2028

## SKILLS

- Adobe Suite
- AP Style
- News Writing
- Videography
- Microsoft Suite
- Interviewing
- Public Speaking

## AWARDS

### BEST PODCAST, ON OUR MINDS: ELECTION 2024 (WETA)

2025  
NETA Public Media Awards

### STUDENT JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR

2025  
NABJ Cleveland Chapter

### BEST HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA MIND IN NORTHEAST OHIO

2024  
The Plain Dealer/Cleveland.com

## ABOUT ME

I'm a journalist adept at storytelling with unwavering dedication. I aspire to venture into the dynamic field of television and entertainment with a strong ambition to become a TV show host.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### WRITER & REPORTER

Arizona Informant (2025-)

- Wrote articles on ASU events and Black culture (weekly circulation 15,000)
- Conducted interviews with celebrities
- Captured high-quality news photos

### LOCAL FOCUS INTERN

PBS Western Reserve (Summer 2025-)

- Created packages for their broadcast to be aired during commercials (weekly circulation 320,000)
- Captured multimedia content, including writing articles, shooting and editing video,

### FREELANCE WRITER

Cleveland.com/The Plain Dealer (2022-2024)

- Interviewed and wrote profiles highlighting accomplished journalists making an impact in Cleveland
- Covered the 2023-24 Ohio football season (OHSA)
- Reported on Division I Mid-American Conference and Division III college basketball
- Reported on the Cleveland Cavaliers vs. Washington Wizards game
- Covered the Pittsburgh Steelers during the 2024 NFL Draft

### STUDENT JOURNALIST AND CORRESPONDENT

PBS Student Reporting Labs (2022-2024)

- Featured on PBS NewsHour on May 27, 2024 in a segment highlighting recent high school graduates' experiences (May 2024)
- Interviewed America's youngest mayor for the Murrow Award-winning On Our Minds podcast
- Contributed as a Student Correspondent for PBS's youth-led political project, On Our Minds: Election 2024, a podcast focused on the youth perspective during the 2024 Presidential Election
- Produced news packages and on the Nobska Lighthouse in Cape Cod, Massachusetts
- Produced social media content for their platforms

### GWEN IFILL FELLOW

Ideastream Public Media (Summer 2024)

- Produced an election news feature drawing parallels between political speech and professional wrestling promos
- Interviewed WWE Superstars (Gunther, Baron Corbin, DIY)
- Assisted professional journalists with the behind-the-scenes for the 2025 Superman: Legacy movie, filmed in Cleveland