

# ESTEPHANI CANO

## JOURNALIST | MULTIMEDIA PRODUCER

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### SUMMARY

Award-nominated journalist, documentary filmmaker, and digital producer with a strong focus on investigative reporting, social justice, and multimedia storytelling. Proven ability to uncover powerful stories, produce compelling visual narratives, and engage audiences across digital platforms. Experienced in covering topics such as immigration, racial justice, and political affairs. Recognized for in-depth reporting and impactful storytelling that has driven conversations on national and international levels.

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

#### Video Editing & Production:

Adobe Premiere Pro, Pro Tools

#### Cameras & Equipment:

Canon C100, C300 Mark III

#### Investigative Research:

LexisNexis, FOIA, PACER

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Independent Documentary Filmmaker — ECANO Media LLC | Sept 2024 – Present | New Jersey, NJ

- Directed, produced, and filmed my first independent short documentary, *Roxanna* –an intimate film about how obstetric violence left a child with lifelong disabilities, reshaping her family's future.
- The documentary is currently being submitted to festivals and grants, with final post-production expected by June 2026.**
- Self-funded and established my own production studio, investing in high-end cameras, audio gear, lighting, and professional editing equipment.
- Actively submitting the project to fellowships, grants, and documentary funds for completion support.
- Watch 6-minute work sample: <https://vimeo.com/1096781635/e73cc1061a>

#### Multimedia Producer, Telemundo Digital | Miami, FL | Aug 2022 – Dec 2023

- Gabriel García Márquez Award nominee in the Image category for a short film highlighting healthcare disparities among Latino immigrants.
- Produced and edited investigative video stories, including a report on a trans Latina survivor of human trafficking, as well as coverage of systemic racism and immigration policies disproportionately affecting Latino communities.
- Produced breaking news and social videos for Telemundo's website, social media channels, and digital platforms.

#### Key Stories:

- [Latinos Sin Seguro: Esta indocumentada tuvo que regresar a México tras ser rechazada en un hospital](#)
- [La historia de Julia: una sobreviviente trans latina de trata de personas](#)
- [Aumentan los crímenes de odio contra los latinos en EE.UU.](#)

#### Multimedia Producer, Univision Digital | Miami, FL | Nov 2019 – Jul 2021

- Produced 15+ social videos per week, covering breaking news, politics, and cultural issues.
- Led investigative video series on drug trafficking and racial discrimination within Latino communities.
- Created multimedia explainers on major political and social topics, such as Bitcoin and the Iowa caucus process.

**Key Stories:**

- [The double racism Afro-Latinos face in the U.S.](#)
- [Tras la pista del narco: Las historias del crimen contadas en corridos](#)
- [Military sexual trauma: The victims behind allegations of abuse in the U.S. Armed Forces](#)
- [¿Qué es Bitcoin y cómo funciona? Te explicamos las claves de la criptomoneda que está revolucionando el mercado](#)

**Digital Video Fellow, Refinery 29 | New York, NY | Jun 2019 – Aug 2019**

- Produced and researched a short film on the decriminalization of sex work, featuring interviews with sex workers, legal experts, and advocates to challenge misconceptions.
- Developed and wrote explainers on slavery reparations, making complex historical and policy issues accessible through compelling news stories and scripts.

**Key Story:** ["My body, my work: The truth about sex workers"](#)

**On- Camera Reporter, NY1 Noticias | New York, NY | Jan 2018 – Aug 2018**

- Developed relationships with community leaders, politicians, and advocates, leading to exclusive reports.
- Covered breaking news, politics, education, and health issues in New York City through in-depth field reporting.

**Digital Video Producer Fellow, CNN | New York, NY | May 2018 – Aug 2018**

- Led in-depth video investigations on the U.S.-Mexico border crisis, documenting the impact of family separations under U.S. immigration policies. Secured exclusive interviews and coordinated on-site reporting for nationwide coverage.
- Transcribed letters sent to CNN by detained mothers and conducted direct outreach, producing two stories. One followed a mother preparing to reunite with her daughter in Queens, NY, while the other highlighted a 13-year-old boy recounting the lasting trauma of family separation.

**Key Stories:**

- [Immigrant family reunited in Queens after separation at the border](#)
- [‘It felt like my soul left my body’: A 13-year-old speaks out about being separated from his mom at the border](#)

**Political Reporter, Univision Digital | Miami, FL | Jan 2016 – Jan 2017**

- Traveled across the U.S. covering voter disenfranchisement and political campaigns.
- Reported on key events such as the 2016 Presidential Debates, National Conventions, and Election Night. Conducted exclusive interviews with presidential candidates and political figures, including Florida Senator Marco Rubio.
- First Univision reporter on the scene at the Orlando nightclub shooting. Provided live coverage across TV, radio, and digital until the full team arrived. Conducted survivor interviews and wrote in-depth, original stories on the massacre.

**Key Stories:**

- [“Sin voto de por vida: La sentencia en Florida a quienes cometen delitos”](#)
- [Sobreviviente de la masacre en Orlando: "No voy a dejar que un demente me cambie la vida"](#)

**EDUCATION****Graduate Certificate in Entrepreneurial Journalism | Jan 2019 – May 2019**

Knight Fellow at Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism (CUNY)

**Master of Arts in Journalism | Video Concentration | Aug 2017 – Dec 2018**

Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism (CUNY)

**Master of Arts in Spanish-Language Journalism | Aug 2014 – Dec 2016**

Florida International University (FIU)

**Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology | July 2007 – July 2012**

Universidad de Antioquia, Colombia

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION****Languages:**

Spanish (Fluent)

English (Advanced)