

Valerie Gordon is an award-winning television producer, content creator and longtime storyteller. As the Founder of *Commander-in-She, LLC*, Valerie offers keynote presentations, interactive workshops and both personal and corporate strategy sessions to help clients harness the power of their stories.

A 10-time Emmy award-winner and 3-time Murrow award recipient, Valerie has produced stories for HBO's *Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel*, *The Early Show*, and *Weekend TODAY*. She was a member of the broadcast teams for two Olympic Games – the Centennial Olympics in Atlanta and the Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan. From 2008-2016, Valerie served as Coordinating Producer of ESPN's acclaimed Features Unit, overseeing hundreds of features annually for studio shows and events including *SC Featured* and *My Wish* for SportsCenter. She was most recently the Coordinating Producer of *Mike & Mike*, ESPN's long-running multi-platform morning show on ESPN Radio and ESPN2.

As Co-Leader of ESPN Women, Valerie served hundreds of employees with professional and personal development workshops and networking opportunities. There she discovered the connection between the stories women share and their success and satisfaction in the workplace. She subsequently launched her inaugural workshop: "What's Your Story: Storytelling Secrets for Workplace Success." Through humor and authentic storytelling, this workshop is designed to introduce a new narrative and help attendees take greater authorship of their current stories and future chapters.

In addition to her television accolades, Valerie was honored at the 2015 WICT Evening of Excellence with the Touchstone award for serving as a catalyst for other women in the industry.

Valerie blogs at <u>www.Commander-in-She.com</u> where she draws upon her life outside of work as a wife, mother, novice weightlifter and occasional adventure race runner as inspiration for other relatable speaking and writing topics.