

Scott Wallace

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Biography

Scott Wallace is an award-winning author, photographer and educator who has covered the environment, vanishing cultures, and conflict over land and resources around the world since the 1980s. He is a frequent contributor to National Geographic and author of the bestselling "The Unconquered: In Search of the Amazon's Last Uncontacted Tribes." He is a frequent lecturer on exploration, the environment, and the fate of isolated indigenous tribes Wallace has undertaken major treks while on assignment in the Amazon, the Andes, and the Himalayas and has reported from the Arctic, Southeast Asia, China, the Middle East, and the former Soviet Union. He began his career covering the wars in Central America in the 1980s for CBS News Radio, Newsweek, and the Guardian. His television producing credits include CBS, CNN, and National Geographic Channel. He has filmed independent documentaries in Iraq and Afghanistan. His photography has appeared in publications throughout the world and is represented by Getty Images. He has been teaching journalism at the University of Connecticut since 2017.

Areas of Expertise

Central America, Amazon Rainforest, Brazil, Indigenous Cultures, Uncontacted Tribes, Illegal Logging, Environmental Journalism, COVID-19 in the Amazon, Human Rights

Affiliations

Society of Environmental Journalists, The Overseas Press Club, National Press Photographers Association, Investigative Reporters & Editors, The Explorers Club, Society of Professional Journalists

Event Appearances

The Unconquered: Brazil's People of the Arrow
National Geographic Live!

Education

University of Missouri School of Journalism
M.A. Print and Broadcast Reporting

Accomplishments

Fellow, Humanities Institute, University of Connecticut

Awarded the prestigious Humanities Fellowship for 2020-21 at the University of Connecticut to pursue a major project on indigenous peoples in the Amazon rainforests of Brazil.

New York Times Best Seller List

"The Unconquered: In Search of the Amazon's Last Uncontacted Tribes" by Scott Wallace reaches the New York Times Best Seller List.

Ted Scripps Fellowship in Environmental Journalism

2014-2015 Awarded prestigious fellowship to conduct research on environmental issues. University of Colorado-Boulder

Renewable Natural Resources Foundation Excellence in Journalism Award

2014 In recognition of excellent reporting for National Geographic from the depths of the Amazon on the perilous fight of native communities against the illegal timber trade in Peru.

Explorers Club's Lowell Thomas Award for Excellence

2012 Awarded one of the highest honors from the Explorers Club, the world's premier fellowship for scientific discovery and exploration, for "mindful" exploration and excellence in expedition reporting.

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