

MARCI IEN



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Co-Host
THE SOCIAL, Bell Media

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Marci Ien ([@MarcIen](#)) joined CTV's THE SOCIAL in 2017 as the newest Co-Host, following a successful tenure as Guest Co-Host in 2016. Prior to joining THE SOCIAL, Marci was the News Anchor and Co-Host on CTV's CANADA AM for more than 13 years where she received a 2016 Canadian Screen Award nomination for Best Host in a Variety, Lifestyle, Reality/Competition, or Talk Program or Series.

A graduate of Ryerson University, Ien was previously appointed distinguished visiting professor at Ryerson University's Radio & Television Arts (RTA) program. In that role, she led guest lectures and participated in workshops and presentations with students and faculty, offering insight on the latest developments in television. In November 2016, Ien was appointed to Ryerson University's Board of Governors.

In 2014, Ryerson University bestowed upon Ien the distinction of having an award co-named in her honour by the [RTA School of Media](#). The Marci Ien and Dwight Drummond Award celebrates students from under-represented and marginalized communities who show great potential in any three of RTA's programs. In 2013, Ien became one of only five people to be inducted into the RTA Wall of Fame for her significant contributions to the field of media.

Her career in television spans more than three decades and has taken Ien from Halifax, where she joined CTV NATIONAL NEWS as a reporter in 1997, to Vancouver, where she was the News Anchor for CTV's OLYMPIC MORNING at the 2010 Winter Olympic Games. Ien's work in media has been recognized with multiple awards, including a 1995 Canadian Radio and Television News Directors' Award for News Serial for "Journey To Freedom: A Look at the Underground Railroad", the 2008 BBPA Harry Jerome Award, a 2014 Planet Africa Award, and the 2016 African Canadian Achievement Award for Excellence in Media.

Ien's charity work has seen her travel the globe. In 2008, she travelled to Sierra Leone on behalf of Journalists for Human Rights, where she met with reporters and led training workshops. She also works with World Vision for whom she traveled to Sri Lanka to report on the situation following the 2004 Tsunami. She is also a member of Children First Canada's Council of Champions and is a mentor with Trust15, an afterschool program based in Etobicoke, Ont. that offers mentorship and life skills to young men and women. Ien's commitment to the advocacy, education, and betterment of children and women is equally evident through her participation in many groups and initiatives over the years including World Vision, Dare Arts, the Children's Miracle Network, The Hospital for Sick Children, among others.

Before joining CANADA AM, Ien was a reporter based in CTV News's Atlantic bureau from 2001-2003. In 1995, she began reporting at Queen's Park, covering daily political news for CHCH-TV's regional newscast, as well as its British Columbia-based evening show CANADA TONIGHT. Ien's first television job was on the Canadian children's television series CIRCLE SQUARE at the age of 10.

Ien currently resides in Toronto with her family.

EARLY, LASTING LESSON: The power of "no" to propel. I've heard it many times throughout my career especially in the early stages. There's a choice. You either stop what you're doing or continue to put in the work despite the naysayers.

SUCCESS IS: Falling but always without fail—getting back up and moving forward.

POWER SONG: "Man In The Mirror" - Michael Jackson