

FAITHE COLAS

Faithe Colas began a 25 year career in communications and public relations with the Milwaukee Courier newspaper in 1987 and retired as publisher in 2007. Faithe joined The Salvation Army in the winter of 2007 as the community relations director for Milwaukee County.

She is a contributor to Milwaukee Public Radio's 'Lake Effect' and a former host of Milwaukee Public Television's Black Nouveau. She is a partner with VonCommunications, a public relations business she manages with her husband. She is also co-publisher and marketing director of a health & wellness website for African American men, Brain Brawn & Body.

She co-published *Bronzeville, A Milwaukee Lifestyle: A Historical Overview*, a book profiling Milwaukee's African American business community and co produced MPTV's *Punching In*, a documentary recognizing African American men and women who built Milwaukee's Black middle class through the manufacturing labor force.

She is a founding member of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women Milwaukee Chapter, a member of the Public Relations Society of America, Wisconsin Black Media, the Milwaukee Press Club and president of the Black Public Relations Society-Milwaukee Chapter.

She sits on the boards of the Eisner Creative Foundation, Kindergarten Plus and the YWCA of Greater Milwaukee.

Faithe was born and raised in Milwaukee and lives in the Washington Heights neighborhood. She is married to Eric Von together they have a blended family, two daughters, Paige and Erica and two grandchildren Domonic and Erielle.