



Nicole Ari Parker

Actress and producer

Seven-time NAACP Image Award nominee Nicole Ari Parker (actor/producer/entrepreneur/philanthropist) is best known for her outstanding performance as Teri Joseph on Showtime's award-winning original series *Soul Food*. She most recently was seen in the second season of the reboot of the iconic comedy *Sex and The City*, *And Just Like That...*, alongside original cast members including Sarah Jessica Parker, Cynthia Nixon and Kristin Davis, on Max.

Parker has previously been featured in a variety of hit television series including NBC's *Chicago P.D.*, Fox's *Empire*, TV Land's *Younger*, Amazon's *The Romanoffs*, and Showtime's *I'm Dying Up Here*. In 2016, she starred in the Universal ensemble comedy *Almost Christmas* opposite Danny Glover and Gabrielle Union and co-starred in the ABC drama series *Time After Time*. In 2018, she co-starred in the Netflix film *How It Ends*, alongside Forest Whitaker, Theo James and Kat Graham. In 2015, Parker recurred opposite Morris Chestnut in the FOX series *Rosewood* and guest starred with Kevin Hart and husband Boris Kodjoe in the hit BET series *The Real Husbands of Hollywood*. Late last year she made a guest appearance in the TV series *The Best Man: The Final Chapters* where she joined the iconic cast to wrap up the ongoing drama series.

Parker commanded the stage at the Broadhurst Theater in her 2012 Broadway debut as Blanche DuBois in Tennessee Williams' *A Streetcar Named Desire* opposite Blair Underwood for director Emily Mann. Her powerful performance as Blanche earned her an



Outer Critics Award nomination. In 2014, she reunited with director Emily Mann as Cleopatra in *Antony and Cleopatra* at the McCarter Theatre Center. Parker is a graduate of NYU's famed Tisch School of the Arts, Circle in the Square Studio. She has received a special award at the Urban World Film Festival, for Outstanding Body of Work as an Actress.

Parker can currently be seen starring in the Off-Broadway World Premiere of Nathan Alan Davis' *The Refuge Plays*, in a limited engagement at the Laura Pels Theatre in the Harold and Miriam Steinberg Center for Theatre until November 12th.

In 2012, Parker created and launched The GymWrap™ -- a stylish headband developed to minimize the sweat absorption into one's hair through a unique blend of materials that allows heat to escape while letting cool air in. The GymWrap™ is sold in over 1100 Sally Beauty Supply stores and over 400 Wal-Mart stores nationwide.

In 2008, Parker and her husband established Kodjoe Family Foundation, a charitable organization to raise awareness for global health and wellness initiatives in multicultural communities, inspired by their daughter Sophie who is living with Spina Bifida. Kodjoe Family Foundation is leading an international effort to prevent neural tube birth defects worldwide.

Nicole is bi-coastal with her husband, Boris, their two children Sophie and Nicolas, and German Shepherd Max.



Beth Battaglino, RN-C

CEO of Healthy Women

Beth Battaglino is the chief executive officer of HealthyWomen. Beth brings a unique combination of sharp business expertise and women's health insight to her leadership of the organization. She has worked in the healthcare industry for more than 25 years, helping to define and drive public education programs on a broad range of women's health issues.

Beth launched and has expanded the HealthyWomen brand. As a result of her leadership, HealthyWomen was recognized as one of the top 100 women's health websites by Oprah magazine and



by Forbes, for three consecutive years. HealthyWomen now connects to millions of women across the country through its wide program distribution and innovative use of technology.

She is also a practicing nurse in maternal child health at Riverview Medical Center-Hackensack Meridian Health in Red Bank, NJ. In addition to her nursing degree, Beth holds degrees in political science, business and public administration from Marymount University.



Jose Torradas, MD, FACEP

ER Doctor and Co-Founder of Medicos Unidos

Dr. Jose Torradas is a bilingual, board-certified emergency physician who, for over a decade, has worked in ERs and urgent cares across the United States.

A native of the Delaware Valley, he graduated from MIT and Penn Med, completing an emergency medicine residency at North Shore University Hospital in New York. After practicing in Northern California, he has since returned to the Philadelphia area.

Torradas has served as a bilingual spokesperson for several national organizations including the American College of Emergency Physicians, earning 2020 Spokesperson of the Year recognition and a Philadelphia City Council citation for his bilingual outreach efforts during the pandemic. He is a national

on-air bilingual health expert and was the creative medical force behind Telemundo 62's Rincón de la Salud, a monthly Spanish language segment focused on health education for the public.

He co-founded and leads Medicos Unidos, a regional non-profit supporting public health efforts within Spanish speaking communities. Their first initiative, Unidos Contra COVID, serves as a blueprint for a successful grassroots campaign to reach some of the most traditionally disenfranchised communities around Philadelphia.

He is currently a commissioner on the Governor's Advisory Council for Latino Affairs in Pennsylvania and recently served on the state's Department of Health Latino Advisory Board.