# RANIA MANKARIOUS

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#### Public Safety Expert & CEO of Crime Stoppers of Houston, Inc.

Mankarious is a writer, on-air analyst and CEO of Crime Stoppers Houston. Lover of people, their stories and our future, she has been seen and heard on national / local TV and radio for over a decade as a legal, family, crime, mental health and parenting expert. She has a weekly column: Sunday Mornings with Rania and is co-host of the Styling Social Justice podcast. A widely recognized face and voice, Mankarious has been known to break stories locally and nationally that hit the core of what women and families care about.

#### **Biography**

Boston native Rania Mankarious was chosen to head Houston's leading public safety non-profit organization, Crime Stoppers, in March of 2013. By 2018, she was named the organizations first CEO.

Thanks to an incredible team, Mankarious' ongoing legacy has been well established. Described by some as "Crime Stoppers on steroids," her footprint has elevated the organization to new heights. She's created the first ever Crime Stoppers Safe School Institute - a full suite direct service crime prevention program for students, teachers, administrators, counselors, school based law-enforcement and parents. The Institute's success got the attention of **Texas Governor Greg Abbott** and Mankarious was tasked with training the entire state of Texas on proactive school safety. In fall 2019, she launched Crime Stoppers' first webinar series with local, statewide and national experts. Other firsts for Mankariou include expanding the organization's Safe Community Program, creating Parents Against Crime and the critically important Fallen Hero Program.

When asked, Mankarious is most proud beating the odds and building the first-ever Crime Stoppers headquarters, anywhere in the world, The Dave Ward Building, Crime Stoppers of Houston (Jan. 2017). The public safety, crime prevention facility welcomes community members from all over Houston, the State of Texas and the country. "People told me we could never get the building built, but we believed in the mission and kept going. Meeting by meeting, we raised nearly \$24M for public safety, while weaving the brand and our work into the fabric of our community. Not only did we build the historic 30,000 square foot facility, but it has become a hub for community members, media, law enforcement, school administrators, mental health providers, community parters and more."

Mankarious received a Master's Degree in Marriage and Family Therapy and a Doctorate of Jurisprudence completed at the University of Houston Law Center. She also sits on the national team for Safe and Sound Schools: A Sandy Hook Initiative. Citing a personal mission to serve families and engage the public to better society, Mankarious, a wife and mother of three, is leading by example.



Local, National Media and Radio



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Podcast Host:
The Balanced Voice



Keynote Speaker and Press Conferences

With an eye for trends, an understanding of the law and a handle on politics, Mankarious is avid believer in crime prevention education. Running the largest public safety non-profit in the fourth largest city in the USA, she sits at the forefront of keeping all kids, families, homes, schools, neighborhoods, businesses and communities safe, both on and off line.



# Topics: Media | Public Speaking | Interviews | Writing

#### Crime

Crime Prevention & Safety
Crime & Immigrations
Criminal Psychology
Hate Crimes
Community Police Engagement

#### Violence

Stalking
Domestic Violence
Teen Dating Violence
Human Trafficking
Child abuse
Elder Abuse
Animal Cruelty

#### **Sexual Predation**

Sexual Assault Human Trafficking Luring of Children

#### Community

Active Shooter Events Safety Must Haves Mental Health Suicide Financial Crimes Identity theaft

#### Children

School Safety
School Shooter Events
Bullying
Navigating Social Pressures
Camp Safety
Storm Anxiety
Public Safety Anxiety

#### Teens

Substance Use Mental Health Sexual Misconduct

#### **Cyber Safety**

Online Dangers
Cyber Crime Trends
Popular Apps and
Games
Online Monioring Tools
Online Challenges
Grooming Tactics
Cyberbullying

#### **Current Trends**

Crime Prevention Family Women Kids









## Podcast: The Balanced Voice with Rania Mankarious

2020 has been the year of uncertainty and unforeseen challenges. Nevertheless, Crime Stoppers of Houston has continued to be innovative and expand its reach ensuring the health and safety of all who call Houston and Texas, home. From Covid-related crimes to uprisings across America to questions around defunding the police, issues around safety are taking center stage. As Crime Stoppers of Houston proactively tackles those issues and more, more people are turning to the organization for guidance. It followed that it was time for the team to expand its message and reach.



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#### In the News: Statewide and Nationally

Mankarious has spoken to numerous groups, most recently:

- Crime Stoppers Leader Gears up For Opening of Organization's First Permanent Home Mankarious leads the way to build the first ever Crime Stoppers headquarters.
- Hundreds of Sexual Abuse Cases Reported at Children's Camps Across U.S. Mankarious broke the news story on the National state of campers, speaking to CBS, Inside Edition, and Night-Line. Her advocacy and research has resulted in national attention, inspiring legislation changes.
- Safe and Sound Schools Strengthens Strategic Nonprofit Growth
- Risk & Safety With Crime Stoppers of Houston CEO Rania Mankarious
- Crime Stoppers Of Houston To Take Training Statewide To Improve School Safety Recognized by Governor Abbott for work in school safety and asked to train the State.
- Crimestoppers' Safe School Institute integrates mental health program from Michigan
- LA Talk Radio with Kathy Kaehler
- **Just Jenny Show Sirius XM**
- **Stylish Crime Stopper**
- Police Across Metro Detroit Ask Homeowners to Register Cameras to Help Solve Crimes
- Rania Mankarious Partners with West Michigan Mental Health Foundation to Launch Mental Action Plan in Houston, Texas Schools



## **Blog: Sunday Mornings with Rania**

200+ public safety articles and counting

- **Sunday Mornings with Rania**
- Sunday Mornings with Rania takes #1 most read article 2015
- Sunday Mornings with Rania takes 3 of top 10 most read articles of 2016, including #1 spot
- Sunday Mornings with Rania makes top 10 most read articles for 2018
- Sunday Mornings with Rania takes 3 of the top 10 most read articles for 2019

Read Mankarious' blog on The Buzz Magazines: https://thebuzzmagazines.com

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#### **Awards & Recognitions**

- Innovative Alternatives, Inc., Visionary Leader, Rania
   Mankarious in Fight Against Human Trafficking, 2019
- Houston's Most Stylish People,
   2019
- Women Who Mean Business,
   Outstanding Nonprofit Business
   Leader, 2017
- Houston Business Journal, Landmark Awards, Community Impact Category Finalist, 2017
- Intercontinental Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Houston Hero, 2017
- The Flag of the United States of America was flown over the United States Capitol for Rania Mankarious on June 30, 2017. "In Recognition for your hard work with the Crime Stoppers of Houston, by the Request of The Honorable John Abney Culbertson, Member of Congress."
- Top 30 Influential Women of Houston, 2016
- Houston Mom of the Year
   Nominee, Houston Moms Blog,
   2016
- Mentor, Bizwomen Mentoring Monday, Houston Business Journal, 2016
- Women Who Mean Business Honoree, Houston Business Journal, 2016
- Houston Hero, Houston Chronicle, 2016
- Best Dresses Texan, Prime Living Reader's Choice Award, 2016
- Best Dresses Texan, Prime Living Reader's Choice Award, 2015
- UH Table Talk
- For the Dave Ward Building, CSOH
- Lights Camera Action, Honoree Mother's Day Soiree, 2015

#### **Speaking Engagements**

Previous speaking engagements include:

- Texas School Safety Conference
- The Isiah Carey Factor
- Houston Live
- · thehpodcast
- The Houston Newsmakers with Khambrel Marshall
- The Roula and Ryan Show on KRBE
- HAR Member's Focus Monday
- Crime Crew on KPRC 2
- · Great Day Houston
- The CW 39 Houston
- 104.1 KRBE
- · The Joyful Life Show
- Portfolio Resident Services
- Around H-Town with Freddy Cruz on KRBE
- The Just Jenny Show
- · Viva Houston
- The NUDU 28.10
- · Houston Aggies Women's Luncheon

### National and Local Partnerships/Boards

#### Safe and Sound Schools

Advisor

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**Blog Contributor** 

#### 89.3 KSBJ

President's Council

#### **Education**

#### **Boston College**

B.A. in Psychology and Theology, Pre-med

#### **Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary**

M.A. in Marriage and Family Therapy

## Suffolk University Law School

J.D.

#### **University of Houston Law Center**

J.D., Visiting Student



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Rania Mankarious, guest on Amazing 102.5 Radio sits down with Joy Sewing and Todd Ramos to discuss cyber safety tips for parents and all Crime Stoppers of Houston does to keep Houston safe.



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Rania Mankarious introducing Texas Governor Greg Abbott.

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Rania Mankarious speaks with Grace White about the "Missing Pieces" of crimes on Unsolved Crimes.



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Rania Mankarious speaks with CBS News about sexual assault at summer camps and the importance of this topic.



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Rania and Ramy Mankarious with Ted Koppel at Crime Stoppers of Houston Gala.

## Right >

Rania Mankarious with former first lady, Barbara Bush.



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