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## American Women in Radio & Television Announces 30th Annual Gracie Award® Winners

*Grand Award Winners to be Announced at Annual Awards Gala  
Featuring the Biggest Names in Broadcasting and Cable*

March 9, 2005 (McLean, VA) – American Women in Radio and Television (AWRT) is pleased to announce the 2005 winners of the Annual Gracie Awards®. National Award winners will be presented at a black-tie Gala in the Broadway Ballroom of the New York Marriott Marquis on Wednesday, June 22, 2005. Local market, public and student award winners will be celebrated at a Luncheon the following day, Thursday, June 23, 2005, at the New York landmark, Tavern on the Green. The Gracie Allen Awards® (also known as the Gracies®) recognizes exemplary programming created for women, by women and about women in all facets of electronic media.

Each year, the Gracies Gala attracts the best and the brightest in radio, television, cable and web-based media. This year, from *HBO/Angel in America's* **Meryl Streep** and CBS News Anchor **Hannah Storm** to CNBC Program Host **Suze Orman** and *ABC/All My Children's* **Susan Lucci**, the National Gracie Allen Award winners represent a broad cross-section of outstanding actors, producers, writers and correspondents (see attached for complete list of winners).

On the local and public front, New York's WCBS-TV Anchor, Shon Gables; Boston's WMJX, Magic 106.7 *Exceptional Women*, NPR's *Justice Talking-Gender Discrimination in the Workplace* and MacNeil/Lehrer's *Osteoporosis* will receive Gracies statues.

"The Gracies' recognition of exemplary programming and individuals inspires excellence in all facets of electronic media. This year's list of winners is a reflection of the depth of talent serving our industry," stated 2005 AWRT President, Chickie Bucco, President of Katz Direct Marketing.

As the Gracies turns 30, AWRT is pleased to partner with PROMAX/BDA to hold this black-tie event in tandem with the PROMAX/BDA conference. PROMAX is a non-profit association dedicated to advancing the role and effectiveness of promotion, marketing, and broadcast design professionals in the electronic media.

"Year after year we continue to experience the profound impact that programming for, by and about women has on our society. Fortunately there exists this event to recognize the exemplary contributions that women are making. We are also excited about our collaboration with PROMAX so that their members and our members and supporters can enjoy this event during an open night at the PROMAX convention," added AWRT Executive Director Maria Efantis Brennan.

The Gracies are presented by the Foundation of AWRT, the philanthropic arm of AWRT that supports educational programs, charitable activities, public service campaigns and scholarships to benefit the public, the electronic media and allied fields. The Gracie Allen Awards, established in 1975, honor programming and individuals of the highest caliber in all facets of radio, television, cable and web-based media, including news, drama, comedy, commercials, public service, documentary, and sports.

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Tickets for the Gala are \$225 for AWRT Members, \$250 for Non-Members, and \$300 (if available) at the door. Tickets for the Luncheon are \$140 for AWRT Members, \$165 for Non-Members, and \$175 (if available) at the door. Tickets for the Gala and Luncheon can be purchased online at [www.awrt.org](http://www.awrt.org).

Sponsored tables are available ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000. For more information, please contact Javier Cuebas at (703) 506-3290.

For more information about the Gracie Allen Awards, please visit [www.awrt.org](http://www.awrt.org).

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**About AWRT: AMERICAN WOMEN IN RADIO AND TELEVISION:** The year 2001 marked the 50th Anniversary and a golden highlight for American Women in Radio and Television (AWRT) Inc., the longest established professional association dedicated to advancing the impact of women in the electronic media and allied fields. Headquartered in the Washington, DC-metropolitan area, AWRT carries forth its mission by educating, advocating and acting as a resource to its members and the industry at large. Founded in 1951, AWRT works to improve the quality of electronic media; promote the entry, development and advancement of women in the media; serve as a medium for communication and idea exchange; and become active in community concerns.

**About The Foundation of AWRT:** The Foundation of AWRT is the philanthropic arm of American Women in Radio and Television, supporting educational programs, charitable activities, public service campaigns and scholarships to benefit the public, the electronic media and allied fields. The Foundation of AWRT has created partnerships and joint-initiatives with the National Middle School Association, the Emma Bowen Foundation, the American Red Cross and other organizations that are philosophically aligned with the mission of the Foundation of AWRT.

The Foundation supports several public service campaigns including most recently *AWRT Empowering America* which pays tribute to many of America's most pioneering and inspiring women. Through this initiative, the Foundation of AWRT has adopted needy urban middle schools around the country and provided educational donations derived from collateral based on the *Empowering America* program. The Foundation also produces nationally acclaimed recognition programs including the Gracie Allen Awards®, a live, New York-based gala that awards exemplary programming created for, by, and about women.

**2005 Gracie Allen Awards®**  
**National Award Winners**

(In Alphabetical Order)

**60 Minutes: Michelle Wie**  
*Outstanding Magazine Show*  
CBS News

**A Special Conversation with  
First Lady Laura Bush & Caroline Kennedy**  
*Outstanding Public Affairs Program*  
NBC's "Meet the Press"

**ABC News: 20/20 - Milk Money**  
*Outstanding Investigative Program*  
ABC-TV Network

**ABC News: Primetime Live - Women in Prison**  
*Outstanding News Story – Single Entry*  
ABC-TV Network

**American Story with Bob Dotson**  
*Outstanding News Story – Series*  
NBC Today Show

**Angels in America**  
*Outstanding Entertainment Program – Drama Special*  
Home Box Office

**Breast Cancer Legacy**  
*Outstanding Public Affairs Program*  
Discovery Health Channel

**Change of Heart**  
*Outstanding News Story – Single Entry*  
CBS News

**Cher on Star of the Month Katherine Hepburn**  
*Outstanding Portrait/Biography Program*  
Turner Classic Movies

**Cheryl Hines**  
*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Comedy Series*  
Curb Your Enthusiasm/Home Box Office

**Dora the Explorer**  
*Outstanding Children/Adolescent Program Series*  
Nickelodeon

**Drea de Matteo**  
*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Drama Series*  
The Sopranos/Home Box Office

**E! True Hollywood Story: Ellen DeGeneres**  
*Outstanding Documentary – Long Format*  
E! Networks

**Every Woman Counts PSA Campaign**  
*Outstanding PSA – Single Entry*  
Lifetime Television

**Ferraro - 20 Years Ago + Today**  
*Outstanding Interview Program – Soft News*  
NBC Today Show

**Game Face**  
*Outstanding Sports Program*  
CNN

**Hana's Suitcase: An Odyssey of Hope**  
*Outstanding Documentary – Mid Length Format*  
Canadian Broadcasting Corporation

**Hannah Storm**  
*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Anchor for News or News Magazine*  
The Early Show/CBS

**Happy To Be Nappy And Other Stories Of Me**  
*Outstanding Children/Adolescent Program Special*  
Home Box Office

**Hotel Insecurity?**  
*Outstanding Documentary – Short Length Format*  
Dateline NBC

**Inside Osama's World: Carmen  
Bin Ladin Speaks Out**  
*Outstanding Interview Program – Hard News*  
CNN

**Jack & Bobby**  
*Outstanding Entertainment Program – Drama Series*  
Warner Bros. TV

**Julie Cohen**  
*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Producer – News*  
Letters from the Front/Dateline NBC

**Justice Learning**  
*Outstanding Interactive Web Site*  
NPR's Justice Talking

**Kari Sagin**  
*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Producer – Entertainment*  
Soap Talk/Soapnet

**Layla Alizada**  
*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Drama Special*  
Chasing Freedom/Court TV

**Lest We Forget**

*Outstanding Public Affairs Program Radio*  
Lee Woodman Media, Inc.

**Lisa Myers**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Reporter/Correspondent*  
NBC Nightly News with Tom Brokaw/NBC

**Map of My Mind**

*Outstanding Children/Adolescent Program*  
Youth Radio

**Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Female Lead in a Drama Special*  
A & E Network

**Mary Jane Clark**

*Outstanding Interview Program – Soft News*  
CBS

**Meryl Streep**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Female Lead in a Drama Special*  
Angels in America/Home Box Office

**My New Life**

*Outstanding News Story – Series*  
CBS News

**My Sexiest Mistake**

*Outstanding Entertainment Program – Comedy*  
Oxygen Media

**Obsession Confessions**

*Outstanding Commercial – Campaign*  
Oxygen Media

**Our Mothers' War**

*Outstanding News Story – Soft News*  
CBS

**Past Life Investigation**

*Outstanding Reality Show*  
Canadian Broadcasting Corporation

**Raven Simone**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Female Lead in a Comedy*  
That's So Raven/Disney Channel

**Reinventing the Taliban**

*Outstanding Documentary – Mid Length Format*  
Discovery Times Channel

**Sex And The City**

*Outstanding Entertainment Program – Comedy*  
Home Box Office

**Sheila Dolan**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Program Host Radio*  
Satellite Sisters

**Soap Talk**

*Outstanding Talk Show – Entertainment*  
Soapnet

**Soap to Nuts - Coverage of Martha Stewart**

*Outstanding News Story Radio – Soft News*  
Satellite Sisters

**Speaking of Faith**

*Outstanding Interview Program Radio*  
American Public Media

**Superpowers: Able to Cast Spells**

*Outstanding Commercial – Single Entry*  
Oxygen Media

**Susan Lucci**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Female Lead in a Daytime Drama*  
All My Children/ABC

**Suze Orman**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Program Host*  
The Suze Orman Show/CNBC

**Texas Top Ten**

*Outstanding News Story – Hard News*  
CBS News

**The Bob & Sheri Show**

*Outstanding Talk Show Radio*  
Jefferson-Pilot Communications

**The More You Know**

*Outstanding PSA – Campaign*  
NBC Universal

**The Pam Stone Show**

*Outstanding Entertainment Program Radio – Comedy*  
Jefferson-Pilot Communications

**The Two Marys**

*Outstanding Documentary – Mid Length Format*  
CNN

**Until the Violence Stops**

*Outstanding Special Program*  
Lifetime Television

**War and Forgiveness (Korean Sharing House/Holland's Black Page)**

*Outstanding Documentary Radio – Mid Length Format*  
Soundprint Media Center, Inc.

**WNBA Image Campaign - 2004**

*Outstanding Commercial – Campaign*  
NBA Entertainment

**2005 Gracie Allen Awards®**  
**Local, Public and Student Award Winners**  
(In Alphabetical Order)

**41@80: An Incredible Journey**

*Outstanding Portrait/Biography Program*  
KPRC-TV Local 2  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Houston, TX

**55 Ways To Stay Young**

*Outstanding Magazine Show*  
King-TV  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Seattle, WA

**A Leap of Faith**

*Outstanding Documentary – Short Length Format*  
New England Cable News  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Newton, MA

**At Home with Ani DiFranco**

*Outstanding Portrait/Biography Program Radio*  
WFUV  
Market: Public  
Bronx, NY

**Bonnie Erbe**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Program Host*  
To the Contrary/Persephone Productions  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Washington, DC

**Brighter Choice Charter School**

*Outstanding Commercial – Campaign*  
Time Warner Cable Media Sales  
Market: Local - 26+  
Albany, NY

**Business Lessons**

*Outstanding News Story Radio – Single Entry*  
WUNC FM  
Market: Public  
Chapel Hill, NC

**California Connected To Go: Vote!**

*Outstanding Special Program*  
California Connected  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Los Angeles, CA

**Camel's Hump Radio: Vermont Folklife Center**

*Outstanding Special Program Radio*  
Vermont Public Radio  
Market: Public  
Colchester, VT

**Casting For Recovery**

*Outstanding News Story – Single Entry*  
WUSA-TV  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Washington, DC

**CBC News: Canada Now (Regina) –  
Shedding the Past**

*Outstanding Documentary – Short Length Format*  
Canadian Broadcasting Corporation  
Market: Local - 26+  
Toronto, ON

**CBC News: Canada Now (Winnipeg) – Mirian Toews**

*Outstanding News Story – Soft News*  
Canadian Broadcasting Corporation  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Toronto, ON

**Connect With Maranda**

*Outstanding Children/Adolescent Program*  
Wood TV 8/Lin Television  
Market: Local - 26+  
Grand Rapids, MI

**Coya Come Home**

*Outstanding Documentary Radio – Short Length Format*  
Minnesota Public Radio  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Saint Paul, MN

**Deep In Our Hearts**

*Outstanding Documentary Radio – Mid Length Format*  
Trillium Media  
Market: Public  
Stewart, OH

**Dropping Out of Options**

*Outstanding Public Affairs Program*  
KTRK-TV  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Houston, TX

**Dulce Veneno**

*Outstanding Investigative Program*  
KDTV Noticias Univision 14  
Market: Local - 1-25  
San Francisco, CA

**Exceptional Women**

*Outstanding Public Affairs Program Radio*  
WMJX, Magic 106.7  
Market: LOCAL - 1-25  
Boston, MA

**Gender Discrimination in the Workplace**

*Outstanding Public Affairs Program Radio*  
NPR's Justice Talking  
Market: Public  
Washington, DC

**Generation @ Risk**

*Outstanding Children/Adolescent Program*  
King-TV  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Seattle, WA

**Greetings From Camp**

*Outstanding Documentary Radio – Short Length Format*  
90.7 FM, WFUV  
Market: Student  
Bronx, NY

**Heart-to-Heart: Caring for the Dying**

*Outstanding Documentary Radio – Series*  
Market: Public  
Berkeley, CA

**Hunger's Diary**

*Outstanding Children/Adolescent Program Radio*  
Youth Radio  
Market: Student  
Berkeley, CA

**Jennifer Pulsone**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Anchor Radio in News or News Magazine*  
WFUV 90.7 FM  
Market: Student  
Bronx, NY

**Julianne Welby Interviews Yolanda King**

*Outstanding Interview Program Radio*  
WFUV 90.7 FM New York  
Market: Public  
Bronx, NY

**Juvenile Hall**

*Outstanding Children/Adolescent Program*  
KidsTalk Foundation, Inc.  
Market: Public  
Los Angeles, CA

**Katya**

*Outstanding Magazine Show*  
Maryland Public Television  
Market: Public  
Owings Mills, MD

**Kimber Holt**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Reporter/Correspondent*  
KBYU; BYU Newsnet; Park City Television  
Market: Student  
New York, NY

**Mary Simms**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Reporter/Correspondent*  
Operation Enduring Freedom/TV2/AFN  
Market: Public  
Ewa Beach, HI

**Mujeres Ejemplares**

*Outstanding News Story – Series*  
KDTV Noticias Univision 14  
Market: Local - 1-25  
San Francisco, CA

**Osteoporosis**

*Outstanding News Story – Soft News*  
Mac Neil/Lehrer Productions  
Market: Public  
Arlington, VA

**Our Lives**

*Outstanding Talk Show*  
News 12 Connecticut  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Norwalk, CT

**Pam Elliot**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Reporter/Correspondent*  
The Unseen War/WISH-TV  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Indianapolis, IN

**Portrait of O. Rogerie Thompson**

*Outstanding Portrait/Biography Program*  
WJAR-TV  
Market: Local - 26+  
Cranston, RI

**Pure Magic: The Mother-Daughter Bond**

*Outstanding Documentary – Short Length Format*  
Creative Expansions, Inc.  
Market: Public  
New York, NY

**Reaching Out to Women**

*Outstanding News Story – Single Entry*  
Market: Public  
New York, NY

**Ready to Vote 2004 Teen Forum**

*Outstanding Public Affairs Program*  
South Carolina ETV  
Market: Local - 26+  
Columbia, SC

**Religion & Politics: An American Challenge**

*Outstanding Public Affairs Program*  
Connecticut Public Television  
Market: Public  
Hartford, CT

**Shelley Irwin**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Program Host Radio*  
The WGVU Morning Show/WGVU  
Market: Public  
Grand Rapids, MI

**Shon Gables**

*Individual Achievement Award*  
*Outstanding Anchor in a News or News Magazine*  
WCBS-TV  
Market: Local - 1-25  
New York, NY

**Subculture**

*Outstanding Documentary Radio – Mid Length Format*  
WFUV 90.7 FM New York  
Market: Student  
Bronx, NY

**The Dark Haired Beauty of Council Street**

*Outstanding News Story Radio – Soft News Radio*  
WXXI Public Broadcasting Council  
Market: Public  
Rochester, NY

**The Question of God: Sigmund Freud & C.S. Lewis**

*Outstanding Documentary – Series*  
Tatge/Lasseur Productions  
Market: Public  
New York, NY

**The Wait**

*Outstanding Documentary – Mid Length Format*  
WISH-TV  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Indianapolis, IN

**Van Briggie - Art of Clay**

*Outstanding Portrait/Biography Program*  
Rocky Mountain PBS  
Market: Public  
Denver, CO

**Voices of Our World**

*Outstanding Public Affairs Program Radio*  
Maryknoll Productions  
Market: Local - 26+  
Maryknoll, NY

**Xtreme Rodeo**

*Outstanding Sports Program*  
KTRK-TV  
Market: Local - 1-25  
Houston, TX