



The Audies®

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**AND THE WINNERS ARE...
AUDIOBOOKS HONORED AT THE 12th ANNUAL AUDIES® GALA**

Inspired by...*The Bible Experience: New Testament Named Audiobook of the Year*
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New York, NY – June 4, 2007—The Audio Publishers Association (APA) brought together industry, entertainment and political dignitaries at the storied Rainbow Room tonight to announce the winners of the 2007 *Audies*®. The APA recognized their peers at the annual audio publishing industry award ceremony –often called the Oscars of the audiobook industry – that honors the best titles of the year across a number of genres. *The Audies*® are the only completely juried awards program covering audiobooks and spoken word entertainment.

The night's awards gala was hosted by the acclaimed narrator of the Harry Potter audiobooks and Grammy and Tony Award-winning actor, Jim Dale. Atop the looming skyscrapers of Manhattan, *The Audies*® winners were announced in 32 categories, including a special Judges' Award for titles in the Politics category and the highlight of the evening, the Audiobook of the Year Award. A Special Achievement Award was presented to Don Katz, CEO and founder of Audible.com to recognize his innovations and contributions to the industry. 2007 marks the tenth anniversary of Audible.com, a service that provides audio information and entertainment via the Internet.

“APA is very proud of this year's entrants for their hard work and overall contribution to the audiobook industry,” said Michele Lee Cobb, President of APA. “Each year, the bar continues to be raised and each year the industry grows as a result –it is an exciting time for audiobooks.”

Additionally, APA and *AudioFile* Magazine have joined together to provide an interactive way to listen to this year's *The Audies*® winners. The Web site, www.theaudies.com, allows listeners to read a review about the winning audiobook, as well as listen to a sample of the audiobook.

Winners of the *The Audies*[®] award ceremony by category:

Audiobook of the Year

Inspired by...The Bible Experience: New Testament

Publisher: Zondervan Publishing

Editors: Inspired by Media Group/Zondervan Today's New International Version Bible Translation

Narrator: Full Cast, including Angela Bassett, Cuba Gooding Jr., Samuel L. Jackson, Blair Underwood and Denzel Washington

Executive Producer: Ron Belk, Kyle Bowser, Lou "Buster" Brown and Robi Reed

Producer: Ron Belk, Kyle Bower, Lou "Buster" Brown and Robi Reed

Director: Chip Hurd, Mark Swinton, Wren T. Brown, Lou "Buster" Brown, Andi Chapman

Package Design: Jager Group, Ron Huizinga and Rob Monacelli

Judges Award: Politics

Hubris

Publisher: Blackstone Audio, Inc

Author: Michael Isikoff and David Corn

Narrator: Stefan Rudnicki

Executive Producer: Josh E. Stanton

Producer: Haila Williams

Director: Emily Joyce Card

Sound Editing: Gary Keeney and Raymond Scully

Cover Design: David Tran

Jacket Photo: Luke Frazza, AFP and Getty Images

Fiction, Abridged

Restless

Publisher: Audio Renaissance

Author: William Boyd

Narrator: Rosamund Pike

Executive Producer/Abridgement: Laura Wilson

Package Design: Margo Goody

Jacket Design: Evan Gaffney Design

Sound Editing: Danny Meltzer and Lisa Baney

Fiction, Unabridged

Rise and Shine

Publisher: Recorded Books, LLC

Author: Anna Quindlen

Narrator: Carol Monda

Executive Producer: Claudia Howard

Director: Rob Granniss

Production Supervisor: Amber Cleveland

Sound Editing: Karen Zippler

Literary Fiction

The Thirteenth Tale

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Audio

Author: Diane Setterfield

Narrator: Ruthie Henshall and Lynn Redgrave

Producer/Director: Karen Pearlman

Associate Producer: Mike Noble

Package Design: Mark DiGiovanni

Mystery

Echo Park

Publisher: Hachette Audio

Author: Michael Connelly

Narrator: Len Cariou

Executive Producer: Maja Thomas

Producer/Director: Fred Sanders

Production Supervisor: Linda Korn

Package Design: Mike Joyce

Thriller/Suspense

The Dead Yard

Publisher: Blackstone Audio, Inc

Author: Adrian McKinty

Narrator: Gerard Doyle

Executive Producer: Josh Stanton

Producer: Haila Williams

Director: Paul Holly, Gizmo Recording

Package Design: Matthew Marley

Sound Editing: Alex Gherfini and Jesse Ambrose

Romance

If You Could See Me Now

Publisher: Hyperion Audiobooks

Author: Cecelia Ahern

Narrator: Susan Lynch and Rupert Degas

Executive Producer: Maja Thomoas

Producer: Garrick Hagon and Linda Korn

Director: Garrick Hagon

Abridgement: Kim Greunenfelder

Production Supervisor: Linda Korn

Package Design: Mike Joyce

Science Fiction

The Stolen Child

Publisher: Recorded Books, LLC

Author: Keith Donohue
Narrators: Andy Paris and Jeff Woodman
Executive Producer: Claudia Howard
Director: Jeff Baron
Production Supervisor: Amber Cleveland
Sound Editing: Andy Paris

Inspirational/Faith-Based Fiction

The Angels of Morgan Hill

Publisher: Audio Renaissance
Author: Donna VanLiere
Narrator: Donna VanLiere
Executive Producer: Laura Wilson
Abridgement: Garet Scott
Package Design: Margo Goody
Jacket Design: Michael Storrings
Sound Editing: Danny Meltzer
Jacket Illustration: Aleta Rafton

Classics

To Kill a Mockingbird

Publisher: Caedmon
Author: Harper Lee
Narrator: Sissy Spacek
Executive Producer/Director: Rick Harris
Package Design: Laura Klynsora
Illustrations: Raina Tinker
Sound Editing: Lance Neal and Richard Romaniello
Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Mary Schuck

Non-Fiction, Abridged

The Beatles

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Audio
Author: Robert Spitz
Narrator: Alfred Molina
Producer/Director: Carol Shaprio
Associate Producer: Travis Tonn
Package Design: Mark DiGiovanni

Non-Fiction, Unabridged

Narrow Dog to Carcassonne

Publisher: ISIS Publishing
Author: Terry Darlington
Narrator: Steve Hodson
Executive Producer: Catherine Thompson

Jacket Design: Cover artwork by Christopher Corr, designed by Gavin Morris T/W,
courtesy of Transworld Publishers

Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Matthew Wilkinson

Biography/Memoir

Teacher Man

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Audio

Author: Frank McCourt

Narrator: Frank McCourt

Producer/Director: Elisa Shokoff

Associate Producer: Sarah Ginsberg

Package Design: Mark DiGiovanni

Personal Development/Motivational

For the Love of a Dog: Understanding Emotion in You and Your Best Friend

Publisher: Tantor Media, Inc.

Author: Patricia McConnell

Narrator: Ellen Archer

Executive Producer: Kevin Colebank

Producer: Allen Colebank

Production Supervisor: Charlene Frederick

Package Design: Laura Colebank

Jacket Design: Mike Campbell

Sound Editing: James Cookson

Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Mike Campbell and Thomas Beck Stvan

Jacket Photo: Mike Campbell

Business Information/Education

The Long Tail

Publisher: Hyperion Audiobooks

Author: Chris Anderson

Narrators: Christopher Nissley

Executive Producer: Maja Thomas

Producer/Director: Sean Runnette

Production Supervisor: Dennis Kao

Package Design: Mike Joyce

Jacket Design: Michelle Ishay

Jacket Photo: Gabriela Hashon

Children's Titles for Ages up to 8

Knuffle Bunny

Publisher: Weston Woods Studios

Author: Mo Willems

Narrators: Mo, Cheryl and Trixie Willems

Executive Producer: Linda Lee

Producer: Paul R. Gagne and Mo Willems

Director: Paul R. Gagne

Sound Editing: Leigh Corra, Paul R. Gagne and Steve Syarto

Children's Titles for Ages 8-11

Listening for Lions

Publisher: Recorded Books, LLC

Author: Gloria Whelan

Narrator: Bianca Amato

Executive Producer: Claudia Howard

Producer: Deyan Audio

Director: Jennifer Nicks

Production Supervisor: Amber Cleveland

Sound Editing: Ian McCulloch

Children's Titles for Ages 12+

Airborn

Publisher: Full Cast Audio

Author: Kenneth Oppel

Narrators: David Kelly and a full cast

Executive Producer: Bruce Coville

Associate Producer/Director: Daniel Bostick

Production Assistant: Victoria King

Package Design/Jacket Design: Jerry Russell

Sound Editing: Brett Hobin

Original Music: Todd Hobin

Inspirational/Spiritual

Inspired by... The Bible Experience New Testament

Publisher: Zondervan Publishing

Editors: Inspired by Media Group/Zondervan Today's New International Version Bible Translation

Narrators: Angela Bassett, Cuba Gooding Jr., Samuel L. Jackson, Blair Underwood, Denzel Washington and many more

Executive Producer: Ron Belk, Kyle Bowser, Lou "Buster" Brown and Robi Reed

Director: Chip Hurd, Mark Swinton, Wren T. Brown, Lou "Buster" Brown and Andi Chapman

Package Design: Jagar Group, Ron Huizinga and Rob Monacelli

Humor

Spoiled Rotten America

Publisher: Harper Audio

Author: Larry Miller

Narrator: Larry Miller

Executive Producer: Rick Harris

Director: John Runnette

Abridgement: Steven Padnick

Sound Editing: Richard Romaniello
Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Richard Ljvenes
Author Photo: Greg Gorman

Short Stories/Collections

This I Believe

Publisher: Audio Renaissance
Editors: Jay Allison and Dan Gediman
Narrators: Bill Gates, Martha Graham, et al.
Executive Producers: Jay Allison and Dan Gediman
Producers: Jay Allison and Dan Gediman, with Emily Botein, John Gregory and Viki Merrick
Package Design: Margo Goody
Jacket Design: Lisa Fyfe
Jacket Photo: Jamie Stillings/Getty Images

Original Work

Hasidic Williamsburg, Brooklyn (Men and Women CD 1 & 2)

Publisher: Oversampling Inc./Soundwalk
Narrators: Joseph Piekarski and Pearl Gluck
Executive Producer/Director/Production Supervisor: Stephan Crasneanski and Pearl Gluck
Sound Editing: Dug Winningham
Package Design/Jacket Design/Sound Editing/Jacket Photo: JD Boujnah
Cover Design & Digital Imaging: JD Boujnah

Solo Narration – Male

Peter and the Shadow Thieves

Publisher: Brilliance Audio
Authors: Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson
Narrator: Jim Dale
Executive Producer: Gary Pollakusky
Director: Kathleen Hale
Sound Editing: Jeremy Wesley
Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Greg Call

Solo Narration – Female

Telegraph Days

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Audio
Author: Larry McMurtry
Narrator: Annie Potts
Producer: Elisa Shokoff
Associate Producer: Travis Tonn
Director: Fred Sanders
Package Design: Mark DiGiovanni

Narration by the Author or Authors

The Tortilla Curtain

Publisher: Blackstone Audio, Inc.

Author: T.C. Boyle

Narrator: T.C. Boyle

Executive Producer: Josh E. Stanton

Producer: Dominic Camardella/Santa Barbara Sound Design

Sound Editing: Gary Keeney and Jason Steele

Package Design, Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Kathryn Galloway English

Multi-Voiced Performance

World War Z

Publisher: Random House Audio

Author: Max Brooks

Narrators: Max Brooks and a full cast

Executive Producer: Dan Zitt

Producer: John McElroy and Dan Zitt

Director: John McElroy

Abridgement: Tony Daniel

Package Design: Melissa Bode

Jacket Design: David Tran

Sound Editing: Charles De Montebello

Audio Drama

Radio Theatre's The Life of Jesus

Publisher: Tyndale/Focus on the Family

Author: Paul McCusker

Narrators: Richard O'Callaghan, Adam Godley, Geoffrey Palmer, Robert Hardy and a full cast

Executive Producer/Director: Paul McCusker

Producer/Production Supervisor: Dave Arnold

Package Design: Tyndale House

Jacket Design: Beau Henderson/ Focus on the Family

Sound Editing: Mark Drury, Rob Jorgenson, Steve Gandy and GAP Digital

Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Beau Henderson/ Focus on the Family

Audiobook Adapted from Another Medium

The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy: Quintessential Phase V

Publisher: BBC Audiobooks America

Author: Douglas Adams

Narrators: Simon Jones, Geoffrey McGivern and a full cast

Producer: Bruce Hyman and Helen Chattwell

Co-Producer/Adaptation: Dirk Maggs

Sound Editing: Paul Deeley

Package Design

The Golden Compass, Tenth Anniversary Edition

Publisher: Listening Library/Random House Audio

Author: Philip Pullman

Narrators: Philip Pullman and a full cast

Executive Producers: Bruce Coville and Tim Ditlow

Directors: Garrick Agon and The Story Circle Ltd.

Package Design: Melissa Bode

Sound Editing: Chris O'Shaughnessy, engineer and Wolfgang Dienst, editor

Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Ericka Meltzer O'Rourke

Jacket Photo/Design: John Lawrence

Achievement in Production

The Goose Girl

Publisher: Full Cast Audio

Author: Shannon Hale

Narrators: Cynthia Bishop and a full cast

Executive Producer/Director: Bruce Coville

Producer: Daniel Bostick

Production Assistant: Victoria King

Package Design/Jacket Design: Jerry Russell

Sound Editing: Bruce Hobin

Original Music: Todd Hobin

Spanish Language

Angeles y Demonios

Publisher: FonoLibro Inc.

Author: Dan Brown

Narrator: Raul Amundaray

Executive Producer: Arquimedes Rivero Jr.

Director: Jorge A. Rivero

Package Design: Tri-Plex Packaging

Sound Editing: Daniel Espinosa

Cover Design & Digital Imaging: Courtesy Simon & Schuster/Gilberto Finol

Jacket Photo: Ric Ergenbert/Thomas Hoeffgen

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