

# 2014 *Wilbur Awards*



RECOGNIZING  
EXCELLENCE  
IN COMMUNICATING  
RELIGIOUS ISSUES,  
POSITIVE VALUES AND  
THEMES  
IN THE  
PUBLIC MEDIA



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## CONGRATULATIONS!

*Greetings to the 2014 Wilbur Awards winners. I would like to personally congratulate each and every one of you. On behalf of the Religion Communicators Council (RCC), I want to thank you for your efforts to tell stories of faith and religious values in the mainstream media.*



*Since 1949 the council has annually honored examples of excellence by secular communicators in presenting religious topics through various media. That recognition is central to our historic mission of 85 years promoting faith perspectives in public discourse.*



*I trust that this award will encourage you to continue delivering outstanding stories of faith and values to your audiences.*

**James (Jay) Rollins**  
President

## MEET OUR HOST

**Anuttama Dasa** is the Director of Communications for the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), a monotheistic Vaishnava Hindu tradition. He currently serves as Chairman of ISKCON's International Governing Body Commission. A past Board Member and Vice President of the RCC, he and his wife, Rukmini, live in Rockville, Maryland.



## 2014 WILBUR AWARDS UNDERWRITTEN BY...

The over four million members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America welcome you to the 2014 Wilbur Awards and the celebration of the 85th Anniversary of Religion Communicators Council (RCC). We value our long partnership with the RCC.



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## Wilbur Awards Winners



### Books Fiction

**The First Phone Call from Heaven**, Mitch Albom, HarperCollins Publishers

### Books Non-Fiction

**Happier Endings, A Meditation on Life and Death**, Dr. Erica Brown, Simon & Schuster



### Books Youth

**Out in Front: Malala Yousafzai and the Girls of Pakistan**, David Aretha, Morgan Reynolds Publishing

### Books Audio/Fiction

**The Fall of the Kings**, Ellen Kushner, Delia Sherman, Sue Zizza; SueMedia Productions



### Magazines National or Top 15 Markets

**The American Prospect**, *The Homeschool Apostates*, Kathryn Joyce

### Magazines Other Markets

**Princeton Alumni Weekly**, *Journey of Humility: Discourses on Faith*, Jeff Chu



### Magazine Articles Online Exclusive Content

**KidSpirit Online**, *Interfaith Connections Column*, Elizabeth Dabney Hochman, founding editor





### Newspapers National Markets

**The Christian Science Monitor Weekly**, *Healing Newtown*, G. Jeffrey MacDonald



### Digital Communications Multimedia

**Religion News Service**, *The March*, Adelle M. Banks and Team

### Newspapers Other Markets

**The Oregonian**, *Columns by Steve Duin*, Steve Duin



### Television & Cable

*Drama*

**The History Channel & LightWorkers Media**, *The Bible*, Roma Downey & Mark Burnett, executive producers



### Newspapers Other Markets

**Pittsburgh Tribune-Review**, *Coptic Christians Under Attack*, Betsy Hiel



### Television & Cable TV News

**CBS Sunday Morning**, *Keeping The Faith*, Michelle Miller, correspondent; Sara Aviv, Lauren Barnello, producers

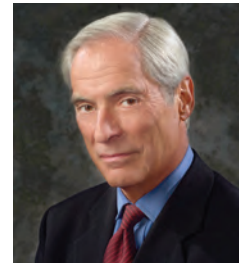
### Newspapers Online Exclusive Content

**The Huffington Post**, *Boston Muslims Respond to Marathon Attacks*, Jaweed Kaleem



### Television & Cable TV News

**CBS News 60 minutes**, *The American Nuns*, Bob Simon, correspondent, Andrew Metz, Tanya Simon, producers



### Feature Films Drama

**Impact Productions**, *The Christmas Candle*



### Television & Cable National Syndication

**Religion & Ethics Newsweekly**, *The Life of Dorothy Day*, Deborah Potter, correspondent

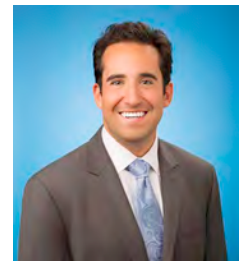
### Digital Communications Faith-Based Blogs

**Religion News Service**, *Jonathan Merritt on Faith & Culture*, Jonathan Merritt



### Television & Cable Local

**KSPR**, *KSPR's Journey To Jerusalem*, Jonah Kaplan, reporter/photographer



### Digital Communications Online News Stories

**Religion News Service**, *One Woman's Journey Out of Faith, Family and Fear*, Kimberly Winston



### Television & Cable Documentary

**CBS, Religion and Culture**, *What's So Funny About Religion?*, John P. Blessington, executive producer, Elizabeth Kineke, producer

## Television & Cable Made-For-TV Movie

**Lifetime Television**, *Twist of Faith*, Daniel Blatt, Craig Baumgarten & Andrew Howard, executive producers



## Television & Cable TV News

**CBS This Morning**, *The Francis Effect*, Charlie Rose and Norah O'Donnell, hosts; Barbara Simon, Katy Conrad, producers

## Radio

### Single Program

**CBC Radio, Canada, Tapestry**, *The Irascible Pastor*, Mary Hynes, host; Elizabeth Bowie, Diane Eros, Steve McNally, producers



## Radio Series

**Interfaith Voices** *God and Government: Egypt in Crisis*, Maureen Fiedler, host, Laura Kwerel Sr., producer; Kimberly Adams, reporter



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# 2013 WILBUR AWARD WINNERS



2013 Wilbur Award recipients, pictured left to right, include: Jaweed Kaleem; RCC past-president Douglas Cannon with Patrick Fazio and Bob Bruce; Elizabeth Kineke.



**Newspapers**  
*The Commercial Appeal*, Memphis, TN, "Faith and Fear," David Waters

**The Christian Science Monitor**, "No Child Left Alone," G. Jeffrey MacDonald

**Magazines**  
*The Huffington Post*, "Shalom Y'all: The South is looking for a few good Jews," Jaweed Kaleem

**Blogs**  
*Belief Blog*, CNN, December 31, 2012, Dan Gilgoff and Eric Marrapodi, co-editors

**Books, Fiction**  
*A Winter Dream*, Richard Paul Evans, Simon & Schuster, Inc.

**Books, Nonfiction**  
*Healing the Sacred Divide: Making Peace with Ourselves, Each Other, and the World*, Jean Benedict Raffa, Larson Publications

**Books, Youth**  
*Dietrich Bonhoeffer*, Michael J. Martin, Morgan Reynolds Publishing

**Feature Films**  
*Blue Like Jazz*, Ruckus Films, Steve Taylor, director, Donald Miller, Ben Pearson and Steve Taylor, writers, Marshall Allman, executive producer

**Television & Cable Local News**  
*Journey for Peace, WTWO-TV*, Terre Haute, IN, Patrick Fazio, reporter and Bob Bruce, videographer

**Television & Cable News**  
**2 to 8 minutes**  
*Pay It Forward, The CBS Evening News with Scott Pelley*, Steve Hartman, correspondent, Miles Doran, producer, Heather Spinelli, editor

**Television & Cable News**  
**9 Minutes +**  
*Oprah's Next Chapter: America's Hidden Culture Parts 1 & 2*, Harpo Studios, Oprah Winfrey Network, Tara Montgomery and Andrea Wishom, executive producers

**Television & Cable News**  
**9 Minutes +**  
**60 Minutes: The Archbishop of Dublin** CBS News, Jeff Fager, executive producer, Bob Simon, correspondent

**Television & Cable, Interview**  
*Super Soul Sunday: Oprah and Elie Wiesel: Living with an Open Heart*, Harpo Studios, Oprah Winfrey Network, Jill Barancik, executive producer

**Television & Cable Documentary**  
*"What They Believe: Hindus, Zoroastrians, Baha'is"*, John Blessington, executive producer, Elizabeth Kineke, writer and producer, Wendy Caplin, editor

**Radio: Single Program**  
*Tapestry: Through A Different Lens—Autism and the Divine*, Canadian Broadcasting Corp., Mary Hynes, host, Carma Jolly, producer

**Radio: Series**  
*Rethinking Religion: The Harlem Renaissance—Music, Religion and the Politics of Race*, Institute for Religion, Culture and Public Life, Columbia University, Norris J. Chumley, host & executive producer

**Online News Stories**  
*Two Preaching Giants and the 'Betrayal' that Tore Them Apart*, CNN.com, John Blake

**Special "Wilbur"**  
John P. "Jack" Blessington