



Religion Communicators Council
An Interfaith Association of Religion Communicators since 1929

1999 Wilbur Awards for work completed in 1998

Presented March 20, 1999 in Washington, D.C.

Magazines: Local/Specialized Circulation

- Oklahoma Today, "From Here to Eternity, Putting a Face on Oklahoma Faith," cover story, November/December, 1998, Louisa McCune, editor-in-chief, Steven Walker, art director, Kelly Crow, reporter; David Fitzgerald, photographer

Books: Non-Fiction

- Rodale Press/Daybreak Books, *The Hidden Pope*, Darcy O'Brien, writer

Radio Programs: Series

- KNX Newsradio, Los Angeles, "Domestic Violence: A Religious Awakening," broadcast August 3, 1998, Gail Eichenthal, writer, producer, reader

Newspapers: Religion

- The Dallas Morning News, Dallas, Texas, Diane Connolly, religion editor

Radio Programs: Educational

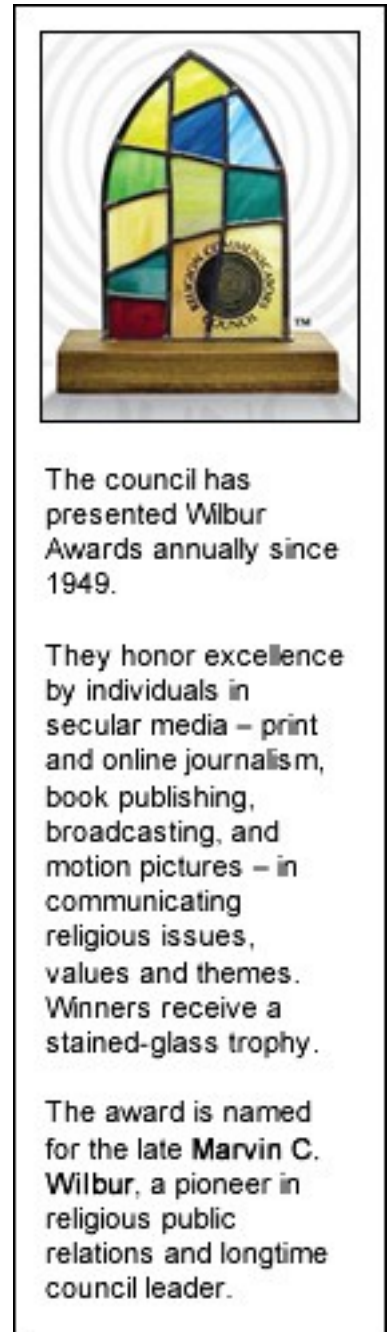
- KCRW-FM, National Public Radio, Santa Monica, CA, "Jewish Stories from the Old World to the New," broadcast November 1 – December 29, 1998, Ruth Seymour, Johanna Cooper, executive producers; recorded by Scott Fritz, mixed by Bob Carlson, music by Yale Strom

Newspaper Columns

- The Charlotte Observer, Charlotte, NC, "Ed Williams Columns," Ed Williams, editorial pages editor

Television: News/Local

- WTHR-TV, Indianapolis, Indiana, "Children of the Street," air dates October 29-30, 1998, Anne Ryder, reporter; Steve Starnes, photographer/editor; Brian Mulligan, editor



The council has presented Wilbur Awards annually since 1949.

They honor excellence by individuals in secular media – print and online journalism, book publishing, broadcasting, and motion pictures – in communicating religious issues, values and themes. Winners receive a stained-glass trophy.

The award is named for the late **Marvin C. Wilbur**, a pioneer in religious public relations and longtime council leader.



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Newspapers: Other Markets

- The Oregonian, Portland, Oregon, “Christians Under Siege,” October 25-29, 1998, Mark O’Keefe, religion reporter, Ben Brink, photographer
- The Sacramento Bee, “An Undying Faith,” August 16,17, 1998, Cynthia Hubert, reporter; Chris Crewell, photographer; Rick Rodriguez, executive editor

Television Films

- Showtime Networks, Inc., “Rescuers: Stories of Courage – Two Couples,” Jeff Freilich, producer, Barbra Streisand, Cis Corman, executive producers

Magazines: National

- Newsweek, "Science Finds God," July 20, 1998, Sharon Begley, writer

Television: Documentary

- National Film Board of Canada, “Surviving Death: Stories of Grief,” Elizabeth Murray, director/writer; Gillian Darling Kovanic, producer

Comic Strip

- United Media, "Over the Hedge," Michael Fry and T Lewis, cartoonists

Newspapers: Newspapers, major markets

- Houston Chronicle “Impact of Cuba’s Papal Visit,” January 17, 21, 25, 26, 31, 1998, Cecile S. Holmes, religion editor.

Television: News-Network or National Syndication

- NewsStand: CNN & Time, “The Dalai Lama: A Visit,” November 8, 1998, David Turnley, Robert Wiener, producer/writers; Duncan Cameron, editor; Pierre Meilhan, associate producer
- Religion and Ethics NewsWeekly, "Jim Langford Segment," June 26, 1998, Gerry Solomon executive producer; Bob Abernethy, host; Phil O’Connor, producer; Judy Valente, correspondent

Still Photography

- Richmond Times-Dispatch, "Talking to God," photo essay, November 29, 1998, P. Kevin Morley, photographer

Theatrical Films

- Walt Disney Studios/Hollywood Pictures, “Simon Birch,” Laurence Mark, Roger Birnbaum, producers, Mark Steven Johnson, director

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