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Tom Caron Named Joe Concannon Award Winner *NESN Personality Honored As 27th Recipient of Award*

WAKEFIELD, Mass. - Tom Caron has been named the recipient of the prestigious Joe Concannon Award, Hockey East Commissioner **Joe Bertagna** announced today from the league's annual media day at TD Garden.

"Tom Caron makes every game he works special," said Bertagna. "Hockey or baseball. Pro or amateur. He is energetic, he is prepared and he is authentic. All of us in Hockey East have been the beneficiaries of his unique contributions and I am happy we are honoring him with this award."

Tom Caron serves as studio host for NESN's Boston Red Sox programming along-side baseball Hall of Famers Dennis Eckersley, Jim Rice and former Red Sox legends Tim Wakefield and Steve Lyons. His duties include hosting the network's pre-game and post-game shows as well as the network's off-season studio shows. He also serves as NESN's play-by-play announcer for Pawtucket Red Sox and Portland Sea Dogs telecasts and has filled in for Dave O'Brien during Boston Red Sox telecasts. In the winter he calls NESN's Hockey East telecasts and is the network's voice of the Beanpot. The multi-talented announcer joined NESN in 1995 as co-host of Front Row, a nightly sports magazine program.

Prior to joining NESN, Caron, one of New England's favorite local TV sports personalities, worked at WPTZ-TV in Plattsburgh, NY which serves the Burlington, VT area, WNNE-TV in Hanover, NH, and WGME-TV in Portland, ME. He also worked as the Portland Pirates (AHL) play-by-play announcer, and was inducted into the team's Hall of Fame in 2014.

A three-time New England Emmy winner, Caron is involved in numerous charities, serving on the advisory board of Good Sports, a non-profit that provides sporting equipment for inner-city youth programs, and is heavily involved in the work of Mass Mentoring, the Red Sox Foundation, and Mass Hockey. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Central Mass Outlaws youth hockey organization.

ABOUT THE JOE CONCANNON HOCKEY EAST MEDIA AWARD: The prestigious honor, named in 2001 in memory of beloved Boston Globe sportswriter Joe Concannon, is bestowed annually upon an individual who has demonstrated an outstanding body of work in covering and promoting the interests of the Hockey East Association.

Joe Concannon Hockey East Media Award History

Year	Recipient, Affiliation	Year	Recipient, Affiliation
1992	Larry Mahoney, Bangor Daily News	2006	Dan Hannigan, Maine Radio/Cod Rock Media
1993	Bob Whitelaw, New England Sports Network	2007	Allen Lessels, New Hampshire Union Leader
1994	Bob Monahan, Boston Globe	2008	Mike Logan, Providence College Radio
1995	John Connolly, Boston Herald	2009	Bob Ellis, UMass Lowell Radio
1996	Charles Scoggins, Lowell Sun	2010	Brock Hines, UMass Sports Network
1997	Bob Norton, New England Sports Network	2011	Mike Machnik, Merrimack Radio, CHN & USCHO
1998	Joe Concannon, Boston Globe	2012	Jim Connelly, USCHO
1999	Dick Osborne, UNH Sports Network	2013	Dan Parkhurst, UNH Radio/TV & Merrimack Radio
2000	Bill Doherty, Huskies Radio	2014	Pete Webster, UNH Wildcat Sports Radio Network
2001	Dave Hendrickson, USCHO	2015	Nancy Marrapese-Burrell, The Boston Globe
2002	Roger Brown, Portsmouth Herald	2016	Ted Ryan, Burlington Free Press
2003	Bernie Corbett, BU Radio	2017	Pete Souris, New Hampshire/Hockey East/UMass Lowell
2004	Rob Rudnick, Huskies Radio	2018	Tom Caron, NESN
2005	Eric Frede, NESN/Cod Rock Media		

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