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## **RUDNICK CHOSEN FOR JOE CONCANNON AWARD** *Long-time Northeastern broadcaster joins prestigious list*

The Hockey East Association is pleased to announce that Rob Rudnick has been selected as the recipient of the Joe Concannon Award, which is presented annually to an outstanding member of the media covering Hockey East.

Rudnick, who is entering his 26th season as the voice of Northeastern hockey, is also the driving force behind Huskies Radio, a role he has maintained throughout NU's entire association with Hockey East. He arranges and coordinates the entire production, from negotiating with radio stations to securing the engineers and overseeing the web broadcast feed. Rudnick goes above and beyond the call of duty time and time again, performing extensive research to find a good story or scouring the crowds for the between-period interview that will keep the listeners glued to their radio. He does all these duties while also personally contributing to defray the significant financial costs of producing Husky broadcasts.

Rudnick also sponsors the Huskies Radio Award, presented to the most exciting NU player at the team's annual awards banquet, an event he often emcees.

As most people in the industry know, there is a great deal of personal sacrifice that comes from working in sports, yet Rudnick never misses a game, always remaining loyal to Northeastern and Hockey East. As he has said, working with Northeastern and Hockey East is "a true labor of love."

The Hockey East Media Award was officially renamed in June of 2001 to honor Joe Concannon, a long-time Boston Globe staff writer and the recipient of the 1998 Media Award. Concannon passed away in the summer of 2000 after a lengthy career covering professional golf and a number of college beats, including Hockey East.

Each season, a committee representing the league's administrators, coaches and SIDs votes to name the recipient of this award. Each recipient has demonstrated a superior body of work in covering and promoting Hockey East over an extended period.

The Hockey East Association is a nine-team, Division-I men's college hockey conference, with offices based in Wakefield, Mass. Founded in 1983, the league recently celebrated its 20th anniversary season, and has won four NCAA championships in the past 12 years. The conference also sponsors a women's league, founded in 2001, which will feature eight Division-I programs in 2005-06.

### **HOCKEY EAST MEDIA AWARD WINNERS**

1992 Larry Mahoney, Bangor Daily News	1999 Dick Osborne, UNH Sports Network
1993 Bob Whitelaw, New England Sports Network	2000 Bill Doherty, Huskies Radio / Northeastern
1994 Bob Monahan, Boston Globe	2001 Dave Hendrickson, U.S. College Hockey Online
1995 John Connolly, Boston Herald	2002 Roger Brown, Portsmouth Herald
1996 Charles Scoggins, Lowell Sun	2003 Bernie Corbett, Giant Sports Associates
1997 Bob Norton, New England Sports Network	2004 Rob Rudnick, Huskies Radio
1998 Joe Concannon, Boston Globe	

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